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## Pollitt Arouses Sailors' Tempers

Plymouth, Apr. 24.—Stones were hurled through the windows and doors were broken down in a hall where Mr Harry Pollitt, the Secretary of the British Communist Party, addressed a meeting here to-night.

There was an uproar in the meeting when he referred to the Chinese Communists' shelling of British warships on the Yangtze River.

For the third successive day police had to shepherd Mr Pollitt away from hostile crowds. Sailors headed a crowd which brushed aside the police guard outside the hall and broke down the doors.

Mr Pollitt had been speaking for about five minutes when he referred to the Yangtze River incident.

This started a stream of interruptions which, after a few minutes, developed into an uproar, forcing the Communist leader to close the meeting.

### CLOAK-ROOM HAVEN

Police shepherded him into a cloak-room, while more than 5,000 people waited outside for him to leave.

Mr Pollitt said in his speech that there was not yet sufficient evidence to enable the people to give a balanced judgment of "the tragic happenings of the past few days".

Then the sailors started hurling chairs at the platform. Mr Pollitt's supporters warned off blows.

His voice was hardly audible above the din as the sailors cried, "Rubbish" when he said that steps should have been taken before the British ships went up the river.

Above the uproar he shouted, "I say quite sincerely that no person, whatever his politics, could be any other in his heart but sympathetic with the relatives of the British boys who met their death on the Yangtze River."

Earlier today, Mr Pollitt issued a statement in which he said that the Conservative Party of "arranging" incidents which interrupted his speeches in other towns and in Devon on Friday and yesterday.—Reuter.

## Shanghai May Become Second Peiping

### PLANS FOR A PEACEFUL TURN-OVER

Shanghai, Apr. 25.—The first concrete move to achieve a peaceful turn-over in Shanghai after the fashion of Peiping and thus save China's largest port city from possible heavy destruction is at present under way, according to a Kuomintang source close to high Nationalist officials this morning.

The report cannot at present be confirmed from any other quarter but the source told Reuter that leading Shanghai industrialists, after successfully impressing Garrison Headquarters that a local settlement would be the best way out for all, had already contacted the Communist guerrillas and underground elements and talks were in progress.

Local railway officials said this morning that trains were still running to Hangchow and to Kunshan. If this is so the vital railway junction of Kashi, 60 miles south-west of Shanghai, would still be in Nationalist hands and the evacuation route for the Shanghai Garrison would still be open.

Unconfirmed reports this morning claimed that part of the local garrison were already evacuating the city by rail and road.

Official confirmation is also so far unobtainable to reports circulating among foreign diplomatic circles that General Tan En-po, Commander of the Nanjing-Shanghai-Hangchow Garrison area, had already left Shanghai and that the Communists had effected a landing at Lihuo which is only about 22 miles north-west of Shanghai.

### TENSION RISING

Meanwhile, the Shanghai office of the Executive Yuan announced that the first ship to evacuate Government employees and organisations would leave port this afternoon for Canton.

Tension was already rising locally but there had been no disorders of any kind. Garrison forces were aiding the police in maintaining order especially in the outlying areas which were besieged by an unending stream

of refugees pouring in from the suburbs. The rush to stock up tinned goods and other foodstuff for a possible siege continued. All local public and private colleges and schools decided to suspend classes for the time being and armed sentries have been posted at several national universities including Chinese and Fudan Universities in the northern suburb of Kiangwan. Garrison troops have occupied the premises of the American missionary St John's University in the Western suburb "for strategic reasons". Stationing of troops was also explained as a precautionary measure to prevent student agitation. The Chinese Communists, totalling nearly 1,500,000 strong, today drove on Shanghai and South China. The Communists sent 300,000 to 500,000 troops across the Yangtze river at Nanking to augment more than 1,000,000 who have already placed Shanghai in imminent peril.

### Reds Refuse Amethyst Rescue

Nanking, Apr. 25.—The British Embassy announced on Sunday night that the Communists had refused a cease fire to allow rescue of the damaged British ship Amethyst in the Yangtze river, East of Nanking.

The ship was the first of four British warships hit by Communist artillery starting last Wednesday. Forty-three men were killed and more than 80 wounded.

With about 60 men still aboard, the Amethyst has been unable to move up or down the river. She was reported 50 miles East of Nanking, but for the past two days, her location has been shrouded by the fog of war.

The Embassy announced that its first secretary, Mr Edward Youde, returned to Nanking on Sunday after crossing to the North bank of the river last week to try a cease fire. His mission was unsuccessful.—Associated Press.

Swiftly advancing the Communists armies were meeting almost no resistance and the fall of Shanghai was believed to be a matter of days. There is increasing underground activity in Shanghai as in Nanking where the fifth columnists handed over the capital to the Red armies.—Reuter and United Press.

## Hongkong As Haven For Evacuees

### British Consul's Statement

Shanghai, Apr. 25.—Declaring that it seemed prudent to reduce commitments in view of the prolonged period of business inactivity, the British Consul-General, Mr R. W. Urquhart, last night issued a notice informing the British community that all possible help would be given to women, children and men who had no essential jobs to leave the city.

Emergency accommodation could be provided at Hongkong for a short period pending onward passage to a destination, he said, but this accommodation "must necessarily be of an austere character".

He made it clear, however, that the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, did not favour any general evacuation. Mr Urquhart said in the notice issued that after consultation with the Committees of the British Chambers of Commerce and the British Residents' Association, he had decided that at this stage it was advisable to "thin out our numbers, first because Shanghai is now in the war zone and, second, for economic reasons."

Present economic difficulties in Shanghai were serious and in future there might well be another period of business inactivity. It therefore seemed prudent to reduce commitments.

The Policy Committee of the British emergency planners had accepted this view in principle but they did not think it was justified in putting an emergency plan into operation. "It is still their policy to advise people who have essential jobs to stay put," Mr Urquhart said in his notice.

Mr Urquhart continued, "I consulted His Majesty's Ambassador this evening, telling him that there are suitable railings in the near future. In his reply he states, 'I see no objection to those who desire to do so taking the opportunity to leave on any suitable ship that may happen to be in the harbour.'"

"He does not, however, favour any general evacuation," Reuter.

## "We Are Going To Canton" Chant The Reds

### Nanking Scenes Described

By CHANG KUO-SIN

Nanking, Apr. 24.—The Chinese Communist troops, pouring in an endless stream through Nanking, were telling excited crowds jammed along the main streets, "We are going to Canton."

Occasionally a detachment of exhausted troops will sit on the curbstones for a few minutes rest. While the crowds listened the soldiers were singing their anthems over and over again: "We Must Think of the Common Man," "Down with the Reactionaries," and "Mao Tse-tung, Our Saviour."

At intervals, a group of students carrying banners and singing joined the stream of Communists to march alongside them and show their welcome. Great crowds started massing in the streets early this morning to watch the troops.

I watched one battalion parading through the Sun Yat Sen road in their yellowish uniforms and their equipment was the same as that of the Nationalist troops. So far as I have seen there were no units with heavy equipment.

Order was completely restored this morning. Communist Army trucks raced through the streets. The crowds showed no fear of the Communists but were rather excited and eager to see the famous "People's Army of Liberation." The discipline of the troops is excellent. They are exceedingly polite making way for passersby.

My jeep was stopped occasionally by pressure of the crowd that lined up from the north to south gate. Two Communist soldiers stopped me at the north gate but quickly authorised me to proceed when I said I am a newspaperman. The jeep, belonging to an American military attaché with a United States flag painted on its side, was permitted to proceed without incident.

The Nanking people seemed to be glad that their part of the war is over.—United Press.

### PLANES STRAFE CITY

Nanking, Apr. 25.—Communist troops marched into this Chinese Nationalist capital without opposition on Sunday, but in mid-afternoon three Nationalist planes strafed the city. By nightfall, 20,000 Red soldiers had spread over the city.

The Nationalist planes' attack was made on the "Ming Tomb" airfield in the Southeast section of Nanking. Reports said the strafing aircraft did only slight damage. Communist anti-aircraft guns fired back at the attack.

It appeared the planes were striking at big dumps of fuel and bombs left intact at the airfield when the Nationalist Infantry left the city on Saturday. However, Nanking was quiet. Gunfire was heard about ten miles to the Southwest. Stray looters still scavenged among the ruins of homes and shops left by Saturday's all day anarchy before the Reds entered.

### CURIOSITY REACTION

The general reaction of this city of more than one million was one of curiosity more than anything else.

Some university students went singing to greet the Communists as they marched up Chungshan Road past the Executive Yuan (Nationalist Cabinet) building, and some sang a holiday atmosphere prevailed.

An edge of excitement was evident, but Nanking showed relief that the transition period was over. It appeared that residents would get their first night of rest after a hectic seventy-two hours.

Nanking awaited entry of Communist political workers into the city to take full control of the Municipal offices. Most offices, however, were still being operated by their old officials. Communist guards have been stationed at the doors of some Embassies and Legations, but none as yet before the Ameri-

can Embassy or other American property.

Troops who took over Nanking were believed to be those of the Communist 35th Army.—Associated Press.

### PROPERTY DAMAGED

London, Apr. 24.—The Foreign Office said today that "the rioting in Nanking caused some damage to British commercial property."

The Foreign Office reported that government property was not harmed. All British subjects were described as "safe and well." The Foreign Office received information from Sir Ralph Stevenson, British Ambassador at Nanking. The British authorities in Shanghai have not yet advised British subjects to leave.—United Press.

## CONSORT DUE HERE TODAY

HMS Consort, the destroyer damaged by Communist artillery on the Yangtze last week, is due in Hongkong this afternoon or evening.

She is carrying three walking wounded cases from Amethyst, the first British ship to be fired on. The Consort's time of arrival is not yet definitely known, as she signalled this morning that she was delayed by fog off the coast north of the Colony.

## POSSE HUNTS GUERRILLAS

Singapore, Apr. 24.—A 650-poral in the Malaya Regiment today organised a 1949. Fifty soldiers in his platoon, killed and killed five members of a guerrilla band, including a woman, wounded one and captured another, about three miles East of Burau Perak. The soldiers raided the guerrilla camp—occupied by about 30 rebels—accompanied by a police patrol after getting information from a villager. They were fired on but suffered no casualties.—Reuter.

## Children And Adults Stage Big Run On Britain's Sweets Shops

London, Apr. 24.—Hundreds of owners of shops in Britain put up their shutters tonight, hung out "Sorry, No Sweets" signs, and the "Sorry, No Cigarettes" signs and went to bed muttering: "Was it worth the trouble?"

Throughout the day, streams of children—dressed in good number of adults—had hurried to celebrate what may go down in British history as "Lollipop Sunday." It was the first time in seven years that Britons could buy sweets untrammelled.

Shops were besieged from dawn to dusk. In a land where queues are long, they became still longer. Odd pennies, hoarded for past weeks by children—there are 3,500,000 be-



Wrapped in a grey woollen blanket, the body of Kathy Fiscus comes into view at the mouth of the rescue shaft after it was freed from the abandoned well in San Marino, Calif., into which she fell. Bill Yancey is the rescue worker holding the body of the little girl whose plight tugged at the heart-strings of the world.—AP Picture.

## Ex-Police Officer Sues H.K. Govt.

### W. H. COWIE ALLEGES WRONGFUL DISMISSAL: CLAIMS DAMAGES

Hearing of a claim for damages for wrongful dismissal, brought by William Henry Cowie, ex-Sub-Inspector of Police, against the Attorney-General of Hongkong, opened before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, and a Special Jury at the Supreme Court this morning.

Plaintiff alleged that he had suffered damages totalling \$7,516.13 by virtue of the wrongful dismissal without notice and in breach of contract. He was dismissed from his post of Traffic Inspector in Kowloon on August 25, 1947, by H.E. the Governor on the recommendation of a Departmental board of Enquiry into Cowie's alleged receipt of a bribe of \$50 from one Chan Yu-tong. He also claimed general damages.

The Special Jury empanelled comprises Messrs F. J. Fisher (foreman), Chan Siu-ming, Kenneth Chan, J. Rothery, T. J. Pratt, R. A. Desai and S. S. Jorgensen. Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr Y. H. Chan (T's and H's), appeared for plaintiff, and the Attorney-General was represented by Mr A. Lonsdale (Crown Counsel), instructed by Mr L. R. Andrews (Crown Solicitor).

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### EDITORIAL

## Beginning Of The End

THE manner in which the Nationalists have surrendered the Yangtze, including the capital of Nanking, without offering even token resistance is eloquent of the state of defeatism into which the Government has fallen and the negative leadership from which its troops are suffering. The loss of Shanghai, China's greatest modern city, to the Reds is now inevitable, and after that, what then? The Chinese, as much as foreign observers, cynically dismiss declared intentions of Nationalist leaders to "fight the war to the bitter end;" it has been repeated so often and every time the challenge has been made on a major battlefield, the defiance has revealed itself as being so many words, with no serious effort made to substantiate them with complementary action. To those who still retained faith in the Nationalists to make a determined stand against the Communist military forces the loss of the Yangtze overnight is a distressing denouement and a disturbing pointer to future military developments further south. Undoubtedly there will be some token resistance to the Reds' advance along the approaches to Shanghai, if only in the interests of "face," but the Nationalist military chiefs have demonstrated they have no stomach for battle from prepared positions and still less inclination to take the offensive. The picture taking shape with increasing clarity of outline is that of armies being withdrawn to less accessible regions for the purposes of protecting individual generals who may feel that, surrounded by loyal troops, they can reach private peace terms with the Communists that will permit them to save their own skin as well as face. South China is now quoted as the area designated by the Nationalists for a "last ditch" stand, but nothing that has happened in north and

central China encourages the belief that the Reds can be held successfully at bay in this region. Geographically there are considerable obstacles to any frontal attack—many natural barriers and long and difficult lines of communication. But the Communists in the battlefield have continually proved their adeptness in overcoming these very hindrances, the most effective method being the establishment of "pockets," behind the enemy. It is this type of tactics that will probably be used if the Nationalists seriously attempt to put up a fight in Kwangsi and Kwangtung, and it will probably succeed as it has done in other areas. It may be a trifle premature to write off completely the Nationalist military situation, but it is now parlous enough to convince the onlooker that final defeat of the KMT armies, either by negotiated surrender or elimination in battle, is but a matter of time. Far more important is the question whether the Communists can and will set up central and regional administrations capable of bringing the necessary reforms to the cities as well as the countryside. This will be as much the chief preoccupation of foreign interests in China as the Chinese themselves, and will be the guiding factor in the country's future foreign relations. The safety of foreign lives under Communist rule has become a sharply focused question mark as a result of the incidents in the Yangtze River last week, and while the behaviour of the Reds in cities like Peiping and Tientsin offers a degree of reassurance, the unprovoked attacks on British warships, with the loss of 44 lives, naturally reawakens fears, especially among foreigners in Shanghai where they have warships at anchor. Developments during the week ahead will be watched with no little anxiety.



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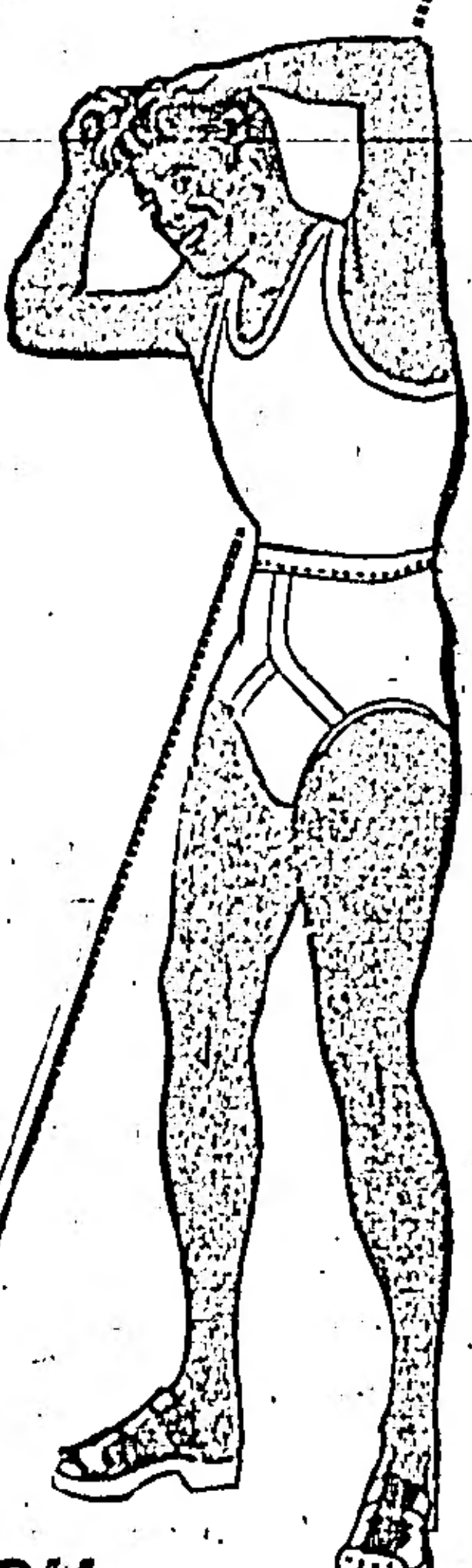
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# WOMANSENSE

## Prince Philip Wins Eggs



WITH Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip looking on, more than 1,000 guests danced until 2 a.m. at the silver jubilee ball of the National Playing Fields Association at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, London.

As the association's president, the Prince, was first to arrive, and with the chairman of the ball committee, Lady Curzon, shook hands with the guests.

At 9.20 p.m. the Princess, in an oyster-silk gown embroidered with a flower-motif of turquoise-lined sequins, and a white ermine coat, drove up and was similarly welcomed.

The ballroom had been enlarged by the addition of an adjacent restaurant.

At the royal couple's table sat Lord and Lady Brabourne, Lady Pamela Mountbatten, Major and Mrs David Butters, Lady Margaret Hay, Lieut. Michael Parker, RN, and the Comptroller and Treasurer of the Princess's Household, Lieut-General Sir Frederick Browning.

After the dinner of tomato soup, spring chicken, potatoes and peas, fresh fruit salad and coffee, the dancing started.

The Princess had her first dance a quick-step with Major Butters, but by the time their party left she had danced sambas, rumbas, tangoes and waltzes with all the men at her table.

At an auction Jack "Chinstrap" Train encouraged the guests to contribute more than £300 to the association's funds.

A walnut bedroom suite went for £31 10s. and a miniature bicycle for £105.

At 1 a.m. there was a draw. Prince Philip, who was studying his programme to see if he had won a prize, waved to the organisers. Then Lieut-General Browning drew a prize.

After the royal party had gone Lady Curzon-Bennett told guests at her table: "Prince Philip has won half a dozen eggs in the draw, so I shall be sending them off to the Palace in the morning."

—(London Express Service).

## RETURN OF TARTANS

At regular intervals, tartans of all the Scottish clans—and a few which are pure invention on the part of some imaginative textile designers—reappear in the London fashion houses.

This year the vogue for short loose-backed jackets in a contrasting colour to the dress has suggested another use for tartans. Consider, for example, the Brilike jacket. This has a casual air which makes it a good choice for informal occasions like week-ends in the country, although the teenager and her slightly older sister could wear it in town.

### Designed For Princesses

Incidentally, this jacket is made in two of the most attractive tartans being worn in London—those designed especially for Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret. For the older woman the Windswept jacket, with its double-breasted tailored look probably would be a better choice. In fact, this, with well-planned accessories would look very well for a lunch in town.

Then there is the jacket in a solid colour but lined and faced with tartan and worn with a tartan skirt, a good example of which is an Ian Meredith model. The woman who lives in a country town would find this an excellent buy. For her daughter, I would suggest a Frederick Stark out. This, definitely a model for the under-twenty-five, only a very slim and youthful figure could do justice to the full skirt with its inset tartan band, and trim little bodice moulded to the figure, the draped collar of which is worn outside the fitted jacket.

## The Cloche has a new rival in Britain

THE cloche has been all-conquering in Britain for months but already it has a fierce competitor—the hat with a large brim.

This may be in felt or in satin, surah or similar dress materials of a very heavy type

## DO YOUR OWN MINOR REPAIRS

By ELEANOR ROSS

THE excellent habit of doing minor repairs and improvements around the house, is still with us, ingrained no doubt, by long and necessary usage during the war.

Here is an example with doing over an old refrigerator, one lined with zinc or galvanized iron, the type often found in a second-hand store.

The surface to be treated must be absolutely clean, free from grease and perfectly dry. Otherwise the paint will peel off. First, wash the metal with hot water and washing soda, then rinse and dry. Then rub all over with an abrasive such as stiff wool to smooth the surface. Fill all cracks and corners with putty. Wipe with a damp cloth to remove all loose particles, then wipe dry.

If the box can dry for a day before being painted, so much to the good. Apply one or two coats of plain house paint and then a heavy enamel gloss paint, letting each coat dry thoroughly. This gives a smooth, hard, washable surface. The enamel paint is not lacquer, and hence dries more slowly, but it is easy to put on, and wears well. If the outside of the refrigerator is also enamelled, the box will be easily cared for and a source of much satisfaction at a small cost.

### Paints Dry Quickly

Friends who are moving into an old house are having fun doing it over, tackling small jobs themselves, apart from the big remodelling project. They want to repaint the radiators so that they will be as bright and fresh looking as the rest of the place. Flat or enamel paint will do the trick. Use two or three thin coats rather than one heavy one for a professional-looking, lasting job. The painting should of course be done when there is no fire. The silver, bronze and gilt paints are mixed with banana oil and applied. These paints dry quickly. As the odour of banana oil is quite distasteful, this work should be done at a time when doors and windows are open.

To do up a metal bed, first be sure to chip off all loose paint if the bed has been painted before. Then with sand paper or steel wool, rub the surface to as smooth a level as possible. Wash with soap or soda, rinse, and dry. Touch the bare spots with house paint and let them dry. Then follow the same procedure as for the refrigerator.

## SYDNEY FASHION

CURRENT fashion notes from Australia have a lightly old-world flavour, because many women are following that gracious fashion for draped gowns and fluttering fans, so popular in grandmothers' day.

To cater for the demand, a group of Sydney artists is working hard in a small factory, turning out hand-painted scarves, shawls and fans. The shawls, to wear with decollete evening gowns, are mostly hand-painted chiffon, or sheer lace embroidered with sequins. Hand-painted plastic fans are especially popular, and one of stiffened organdie, decorated with a delicate orchid, looks very much like an antique French fan.

## Nervous? Try The Bath Treatment

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

WITH the strain of modern living, symptoms of tension frequently occur, especially in those who work under mental and physical strain. These symptoms are due to emotional stress of modern, high-speed living. Persons with these conditions may suffer from a variety of symptoms including bowel spasms, with pain or discomfort in the abdomen. There is often headache and general nervousness.

Dr. James R. Gay, of the Mayo Clinic, thinks that many of these patients may be benefited by baths which they can take at home. He thinks that this treatment is more effective than the use of sedative or quieting drugs over a long period of time.

### Water Temperature

The patient is advised to obtain a bath thermometer in order to control the water temperature. An ordinary bathtub is filled about three-quarters full of warm water, and the temperature of the water is kept at exactly 98 degrees Fahrenheit.

The patient lies back in the tub, with only his head above the water, for a minimum period of about 20 minutes. During this time, distractions and disturbances should be avoided as much as possible.

When first getting into the bath, there may be a slight feeling of chilliness. This is followed by a slight dilatation of the blood vessels in the skin which produces a warm sensation or a sensation of fatigue.

At times, the patient may fall asleep following the bath. If he must take up any activities following the warm bath, he is urged to follow the tub bath with a cold sponge bath. If he is going to bed immediately, the cold bath is not advised. A warm bath taken before retiring may be useful in overcoming sleeplessness.

### Proper Time

The warm bath should be taken during the part of the day when the symptoms appear to be the worst. This period may occur at any time during the day or night.

This treatment, of course, will not overcome the symptoms in severe cases of nervous tension, but it may help to some extent. In these instances, it may be necessary to have treatment by a specialist in diseases of the nervous system so that the cause may be found and eliminated.

No special equipment for taking the baths, except the thermometer, is necessary, and it is an easy and practical form of treatment to carry out.

## CHILD SEAMSTRESSES



SMILING SEAMSTRESSES—Rita Mikos, Carole Schaefer and sister Nancy, left to right, model night-gowns made by children in neighbourhood sewing class in Chicago. Five-year-old Nancy didn't make hers. She has sister Carole to thank for it.

## Know How to Sit Prettily?



If you have a pretty figure show it off to advantage by sitting and standing properly, advises Gail Russell, of the Silver Screen.

By HELEN FOLLETT

NOT every woman is a pretty sitter. Many of them walk with a certain splendour, look and shoulders against the chair, but keep the standing, but when they sink into a chair they fold up, place their feet awkwardly, don't know what to do with their hands.

Dr. William S. Sadler, in his book "The Science of Living," published some years ago, says that there are numerous physical conditions which might very properly be termed "chair diseases," flat chests, weak and crooked backs, flabby abdominal muscles.

"This chair difficulty," he writes, "owes its origin to the fact that all ordinary chairs are straight backed, while God made man's back with a curve in it; therefore when man sits in a chair of his own designing, he assumes an unnatural posture; that is, it straightens out, loses its natural curve."

To get around this difficulty is easy enough, if one will only remember. Do not flatten your back against the chair. Sit far back on the seat, let buttocks and shoulders rest against the chair, but keep the standing, but when they sink into a chair they fold up, place their feet awkwardly, don't know what to do with their hands.

Place your feet close together on the floor, toes pointing straight ahead. If you must cross your legs, cross them at the ankles, not at the knees.

Endeavour to keep the chest lifted, head perfectly balanced; the shoulders will fall into an easy, graceful pose.

Hands, of course, should be in a state of repose. Girls who fiddle with dress ornaments, twist a tress or dig at hangnails are not restful companions. They are as nervous as witches or they would not behave that way.

make the skins very tender and appetising. A perfect baked potato requires care and consideration. The oven heat should be steady and moderate. I put the potatoes on the rack so the heat circulates. The average big potato takes 50 minutes to bake. Never stick it with the fork to see if it is cooked. Instead, give a vigorous pinch with the fingers; and if the pulp moves, you know it is done.

"There's another point, too, in which many persons fail," I went on. "When the potatoes are to be stuffed, the pulp should be removed at once from the skins, then put through the potato ricer or purée sieve, directly into a warm bowl with the seasonings and other ingredients. This should be well beaten, then carefully heaped back into the shells, quickly browned in the oven or broiler and served at once."

### Portion of Fish

At this point the Chef chimed in. "But Madame, can't the man have just a little portion of fish or meat with this vegetable dinner?"

"I see no objection if the main part of the meal consists of vegetables," I replied. "Often a little fish or meat can be cooked with one of the vegetables to make an interesting entrée. We could start with a nice red kidney bean soup, for dried beans and yll legumes, in fact, are secondary proteins. But to get the complete group of proteins we need to add to the menu a little animal protein, such as milk, eggs, cheese, fish or meat."

"Madame, I have a suggestion," said the Chef. "Let us have the vegetables. But for the main dish, we provide for each person a nice baked Idaho potato stuffed with left-over ham. You know men in general like the big baked potato. How they are expensive. However, for the main dish they will not be outside the budget. "And if there's no left-over ham, we can use devilled ham, or some minced flamed luncheon meat," I suggested. "Of course, Chef, the potatoes must be scrubbed absolutely clean, so the skins can be eaten."

### Tender Skins

"Certainly, Madame. These potatoes shall be scrubbed and tubbed and rubbed all over with a little cooking fat to

### Dinner

Red Kidney Bean Soup  
Baked Ham-Stepped Potatoes  
New Beets and Beet Greens  
Paralised Onions  
Spiced Corn-Cake  
Butter or Margarine  
Chilled Pear Compote  
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

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### Baked Ham-Stepped Potatoes

Wash and scrub 1 good-sized Idaho potato for each person to be served. Dry well. Rub all over with vegetable or savoury meat fat. Place on a rack in a medium-hot oven, 375 F., and bake steadily for 50 min., or until the potato pulp feels soft when the potatoes are pinched. Remove at once from the oven and cut a slice from the top of each potato. Scoop out the pulp with a spoon and put it directly through a potato ricer into a warm bowl containing for each 4 potatoes, 1/3 c. warm top milk, 2 tsp. margarine or butter, 1/4 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. pepper and 1/2 tsp. table mustard. Add 1/4 to 1 c. flamed left-over ham, and 2 well beaten eggs. Beat until fluffy and light, preferably with a whisk. Return to the potato skins, heaping up the mixture. Do not poke it in. Mark it on top lightly with a fork. Place in a very hot oven to brown slightly, or brown under the broiler. Serve at once.



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**PITCHING IN**—American politicians, left to right, David Van Alstyne, president of New Jersey Senate; William O'Dwyer, New York mayor; Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, and Howard Cullman, head of the Port of New York Authority, break ground at the site of the Union Bus Terminal in New York. The world's largest, it will serve 60,000 New Jersey commuters a day.



**WARNING TO MOTORISTS**—When these two cars collided in Chicago, Illinois, three people were injured. One of the drivers lies on the pavement as firemen use crowbars to extricate a woman from one of the damaged cars.



**COOPED UP**—Six-year-old Joseph Fergul finds out how it feels to be cooped up as he shares this metal hen house with a white leghorn hen. The six-year-old youth was visiting the New York poultry exhibition.



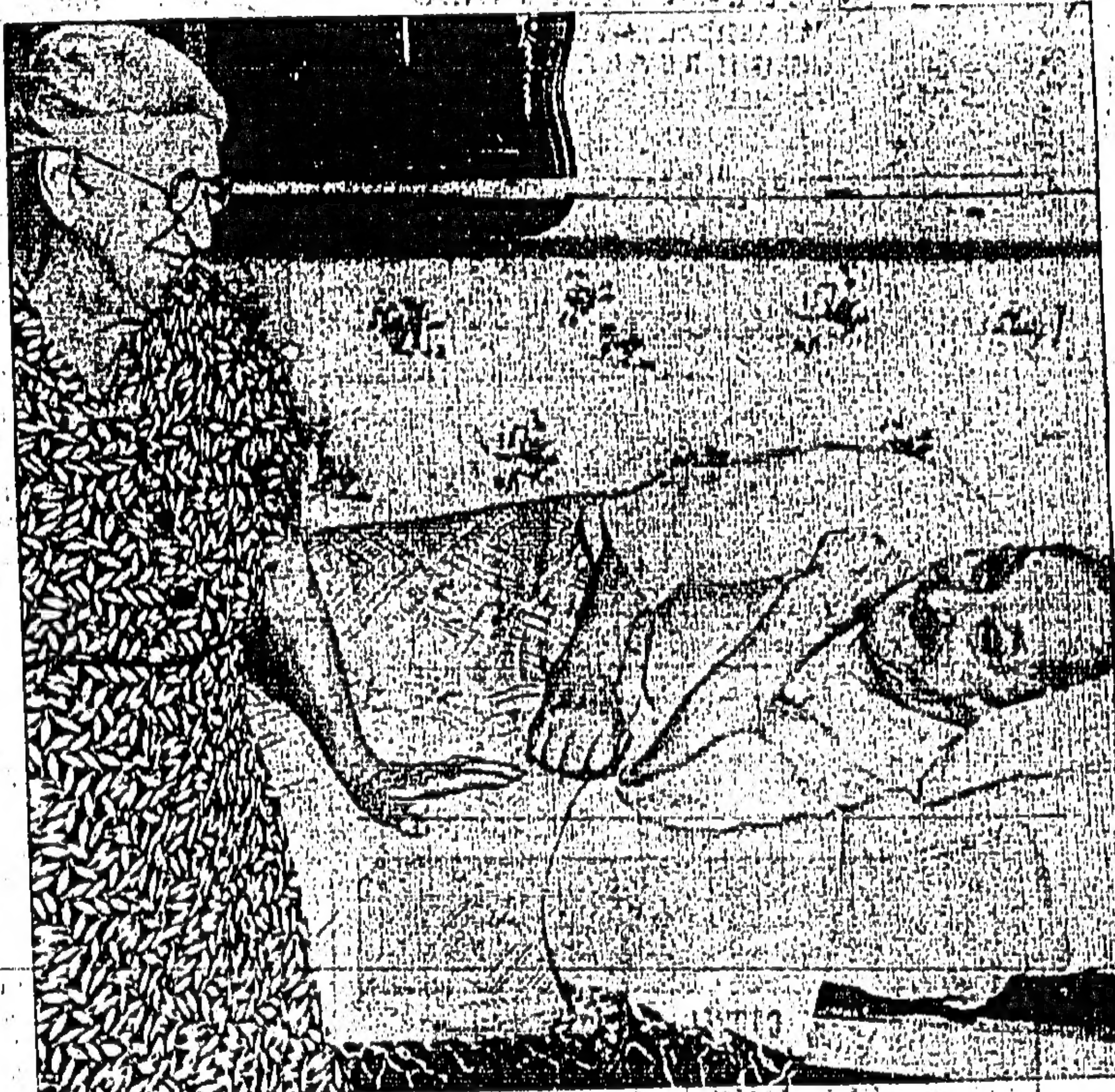
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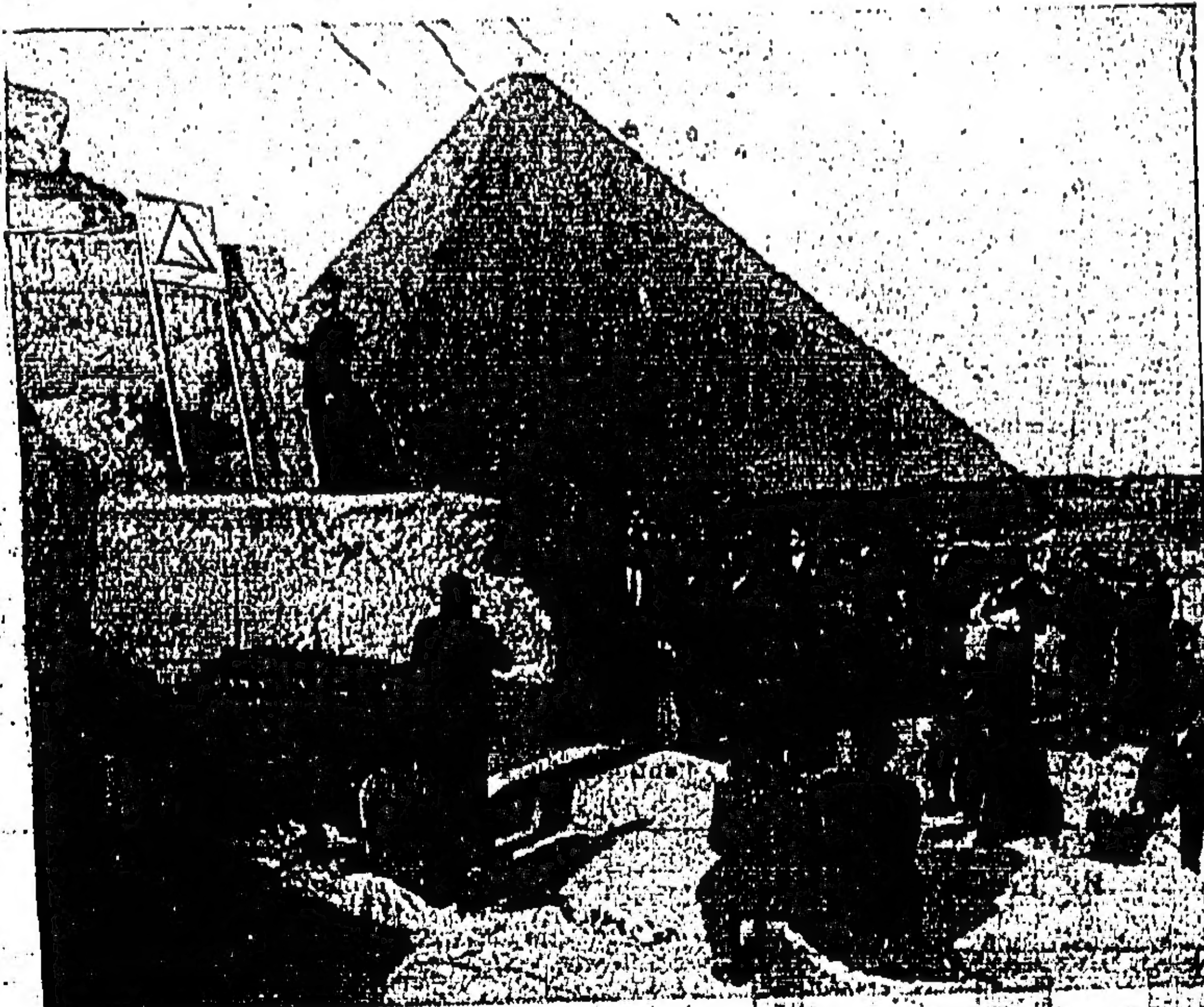
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**DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY**—Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Bennett, of South Glens Falls, New York, have been married for 75 years. Because of an old injury, Bennett, 95, is bedridden, but his 90-year-old wife finds time to look after him and do her housework, too.



**OUTDOOR CLASSROOM**—Students in the Egyptian Government's Higher School of Archaeology, being trained as history teachers, hold a class at the Pyramids of Cheops.



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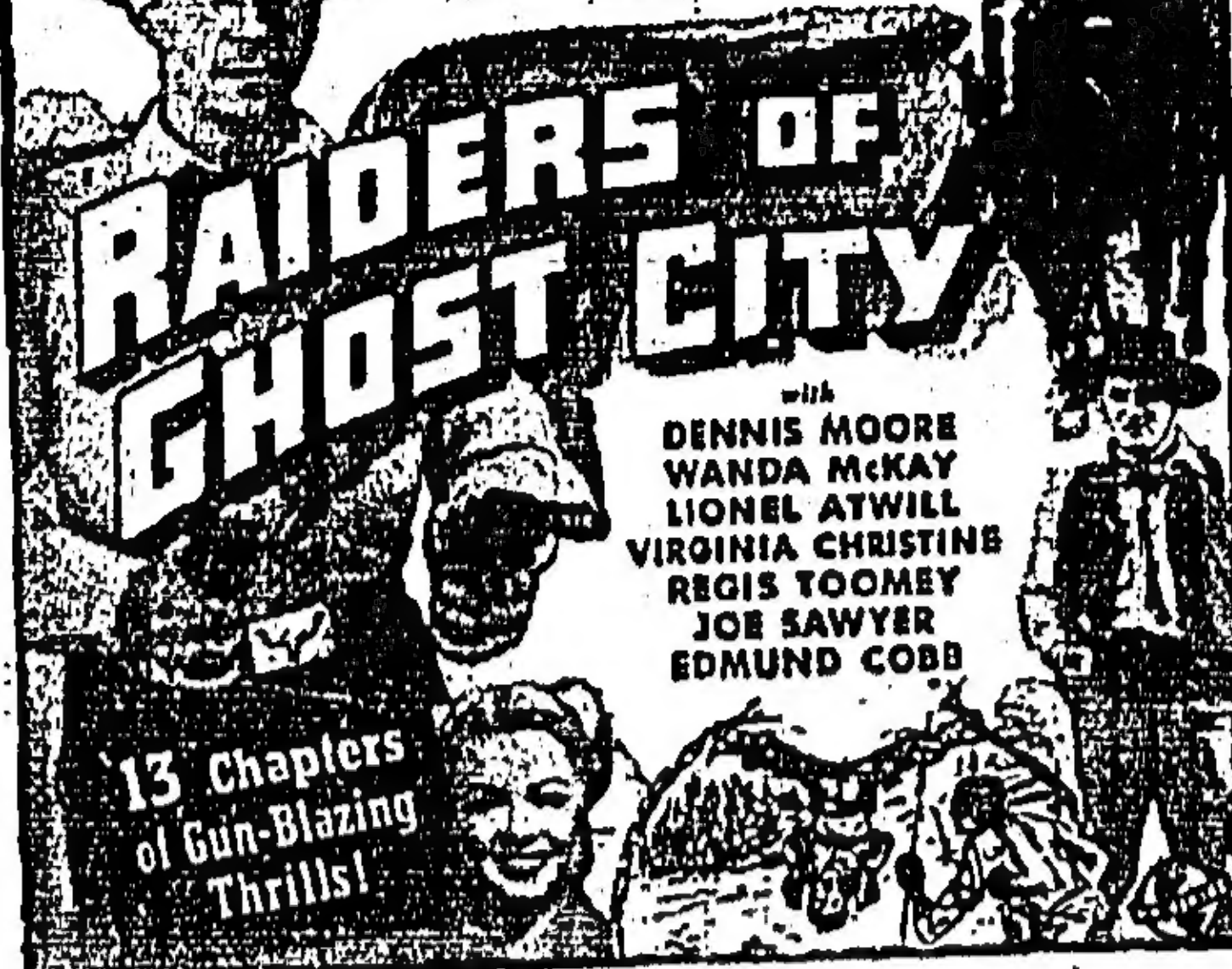


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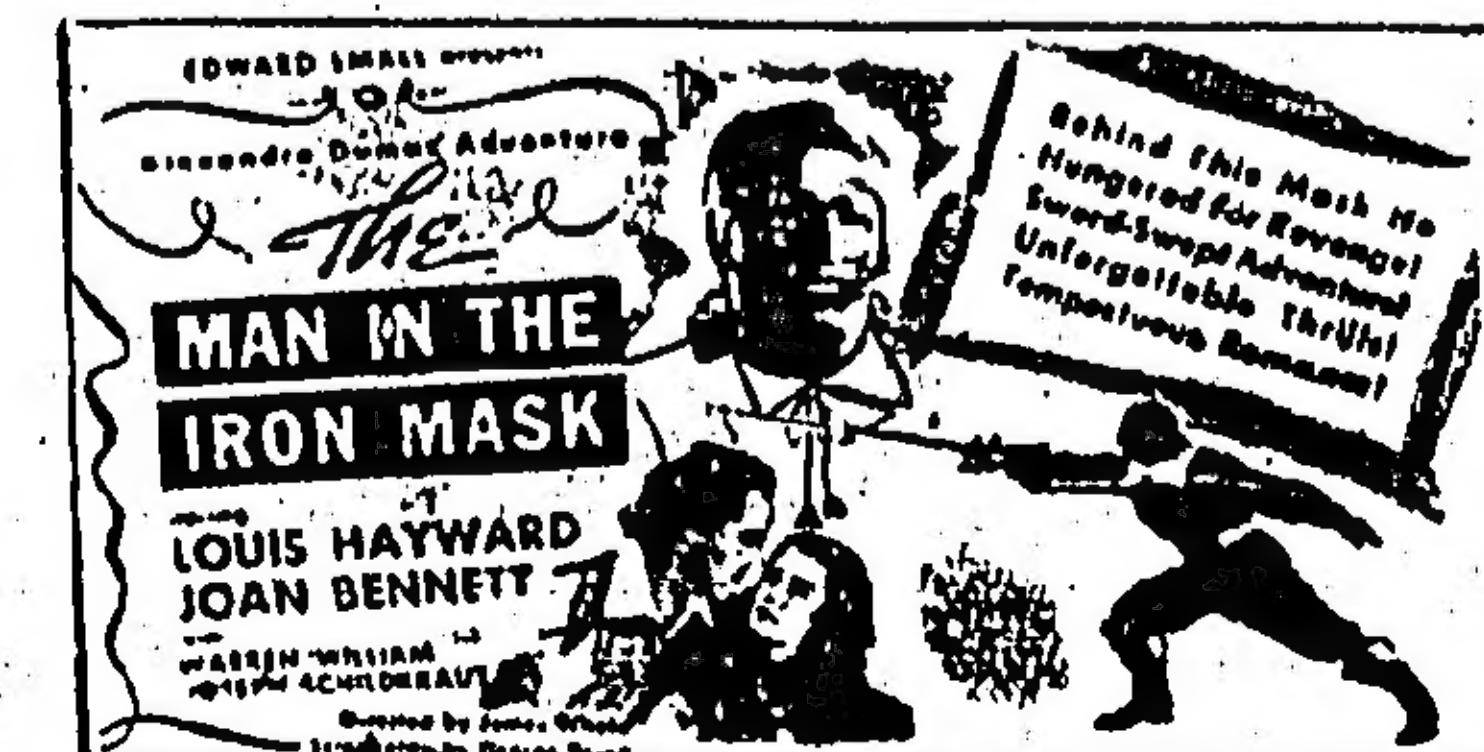
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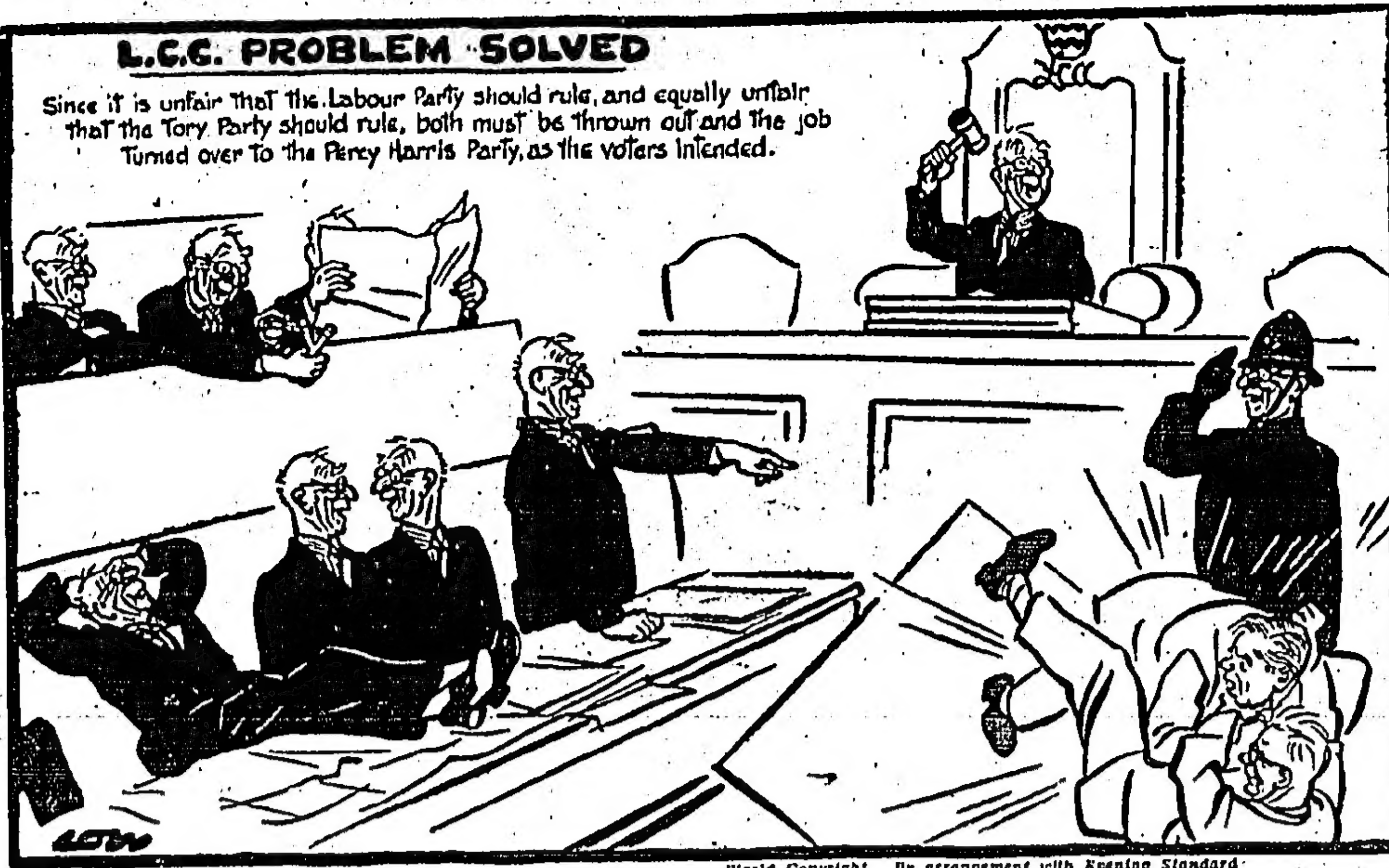
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that the Tory Party should rule, both must be thrown out and the job  
turned over to the Percy Harris Party, as the voters intended.THE PRIME MINISTER,  
MR ATTLEE, SPEAKING  
AT A RECENT MEETINGAND IT CAME  
TO PASS..

BY PERCY CUDLIPE

Editor of the Daily Herald (London).

power. The Second World War had yet to be fought; there were still many who believed it could be avoided; there were very few who fore-  
saw the extent of the political upheavals and the economic devastation which that war has caused.

What Attlee set himself to do in 1937, writing as the Leader of the Labour Party in opposition to the "National" Government, was to tell in simple terms the history of the movement for Socialism in Britain, to define the Labour Party's principles, and to outline the policy the Party would follow when it came to power.

He could not guess what world conditions would be like when Labour took over the Government. For convenience he had to assume that they would be "normal"—that the political relationships of the Great Powers would be "fairly quiet," and that at home we should have the two million or so unemployed whose miseries were a commonplace under Tory rule.

## Far from normal

As it turned out, of course, the conditions in which Labour took power were fantastically far from normal. Britain's economic strength had been disastrously enfeebled by her war sacrifices. Her industrial equipment needed repairing or replacing. Her cities had been heavily bombed. There was a shortage, not a surplus, of manpower. There was a shortage throughout the world of essential foods and raw materials. Among Labour's immediate tasks were the immensely complicated processes of demobilisation and the re-conversion of industry from war to peace production.

As for international relationships, they were difficult when the peace began and have become more difficult since. And in spite of all this, the Labour policy which Attlee outlined in 1937 has been steadily carried through. In "The Labour Party in Perspective," he named several measures which must be enacted as soon as Labour commanded a working majority. The Bank of England must be nationalised; long-term capital investment must be controlled so that it would conform with a national economic plan; powers must be taken to purchase land by compulsion when the public interest required it; coal, gas and electricity production must come under public ownership and direction; so must transport, and there must be a vigorous programme of agricultural development without delay.

## Few prophets

MANY of you will have read it already. For the issue of this book is an event, unusual in the publishing world and even more unusual in politics. It is a reprinting of a book which Attlee wrote in 1937.

At that time, Labour had never been in office with

Each one of these reforms has been brought about since Labour came to power in 1945.

Attlee, in 1937, condemned Tory neglect of the Distressed Areas, and called for the placing of new industries within them. "The solution of the problem," he explained, "does not consist in removing people from these areas and transferring them to other parts of the country, but rather in rebuilding industry within the areas themselves. Labour's resolute and enterprising operation of the Distribution of Industry Act is fulfilling that plan."

## Man of vision

OF India and Burma, Attlee wrote in 1937 that "only their people themselves can work out their own salvation. The sooner they have the full opportunity to do so the better." Labour in power very promptly sought negotiations on a basis of equality with India and Burma. Today they are free.

Two main conclusions arise from the re-reading of Attlee's 1937 chapters on a future Labour policy.

The first is that Attlee himself showed remarkable vision, and a very clear understanding of the Labour Movement, when he forecast so accurately how that Movement would act once it had the power to do so. For, remember, Labour policy is not dictated by Party leaders; it is the choice of the majority.

"I am not prepared," Attlee wrote, "to arrogate to myself a superiority to the rest of the Movement. I am prepared to submit to their will, even if I disagree. I shall do all I can to get my views accepted, but, unless acquiescence in the views of the majority conflicts with my conscience, I shall fall into line, for I have great faith in the wisdom of the rank and file."

## Pledges kept

THE second conclusion is that Attlee's Government has been both courageous and wise in carrying out, despite abnormal times, the programme which he prescribed in 1937.

Persistently the Conservative propagandists have urged the Government to postpone measures so as to "get on with the job" of solving post-war economic problems. But the Government, all along, has seen that post-war conditions made it even more urgently necessary to introduce Socialist measures, because a planned and controlled national economy was essential in those conditions. Moreover, any departure from the Socialist programme would have caused widespread and dangerous dis-

illusionment among the workers on whose output the recovery depends.

What has happened is that, simultaneously, the Government has kept its pledges; has grappled with unprecedented difficulties abroad; and has directed a national recovery drive which is the admiration of the world. It is a splendid achievement.

There is a great deal in Clem Attlee's book which makes it important reading for the young Socialist. The historical chapters are excellently written. From them, and from the chapters describing the constitution and working of the Labour Movement, a vivid picture of Attlee's mind can be obtained.

And what dominates that picture is his insistence on the democratic essence of British Socialism; his firm rejection of any path to Socialism which involves the suppression of freedom, because "once the method of terrorism is adopted it is very difficult to abandon it"; his conviction that "the Labour Party, whatever faults it may have, is the only practical instrument of a new order of society."

## Noble part

"SOCIALISM to me," he says, "is not just a piece of machinery or an economic system, but a living faith translated into action. I desire the classless society and the substitution of the motive of service for that of competition."

He has played, and is playing, a noble part in translating the Socialist faith into action. In playing that part he is aided by his great energy, his integrity, and—as this book demonstrates—by a mind which is visionary yet singularly well balanced, tolerant yet penetrating.

The dash from his Hampstead home to the House of Lords (to listen to the debate on

U. S. SLIDE IN PRICES  
IS SPREADING

By FREDERICK COOK

NEW YORK. A new car was telephoned this morning by one of the directors of the agency and told he could have a new car tonight if he wished.

He said he would wait until prices came nearer the prewar level.

The restaurants are not doing well. Many people who formed the habit of eating at home when prices were beyond their reach are in no hurry to change.

Others, hit by rising unemployment and general tightening of money, are now eating at home because they have to.

There are other signs that the buyers' market is back. A friend who in 1946 was told he had no hope of getting

## William Hickey

OUT this month, after an interval of ten years, the completely new edition of Burke's Peerage, Baronetage, Knightage.

AND where will one find mention of the privilege enjoyed by the DUKE OF BEAUFORT? His Grace lives at Badminton, Gloucestershire, which is on the main line between Cardiff and London. Since the days when the railway crossed his land he has retained the right to have all express trains stopped there if he or any of his friends and staff wish to board or alight.

During the war, when an RAF camp was sited on his estate, he used to stop the trains so that the men could go on leave.

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only. His famous quotes about "blood," sweat, and tears and "our finest hour," are there, too.

It has taken two years nine months from the time the staff of 15 started their gigantic task of re-writing the aristocracy to reach publication day. Fortunately for the book, there is always an odd relation or two who makes a study of antecedents. LORD WAVELEIGH, making his first appearance in Burke's, and asked for his pedigree, wrote back: "Better get George's help. The authority" Cousin George was indeed most helpful. The Wavells are thus traced back to 1502.

Longest entry—that of the EARL OF PERTH, with seven pages.

Shortest—the late LORD DUKES (the T.U.C.'s Charles Dukes) with nine lines. "All in all," adds a satisfied editor—he is a 41-year-old ex-squadron-leader—"We've done a good job of cleaning up Burke's. The mere suffragans among the bishops have been banished, so have foreign titles held without George V's warrant."

YET there is still a lot about the lives of our betters which these bibles of the blue-blooded do not tell us.

There is young LORD FOLEY, 25-year-old son of a writing paper firm, who spent most of his mornings recently at the piano trying to put to music words like "When you fall in love it always seems it never happened till now," for one of Mr Rank's scheduled films.

The afternoons of this Socialist peer are devoted to the nation.

The dash from his Hampstead home to the House of Lords (to listen to the debate on

pedestrian crossings, for instance) is made daily in his large blue Humber car, which has the family crest above two crossed F's in gold on the door.

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WHEN, on April 25, a Daniel comes to judgment once again, precautions have been taken against an unfavourable verdict.

DANNY KAYE, due at the Palladium on April 25, has been worrying about that anti-climatic Command Performance appearance!

From New York he telephoned VAL PARNELL to come over, please, and see his new act. Parnell went.

So now, when Mr K. arrives, he will have with him 25 minutes' worth of new and pre-vetted material.

THE third "D" (for the implied datum) was missing from the party given by a Duchess and a Dean for one of those Anglo-Polish organisations.

The owner of the Westminster flat, AUBERON HERBERT, faced with a gathering that was taking place in two rooms (and in two languages), installed the DUCHESS OF ATHOL, in one room, the DEAN OF CHICHESTER in the other.

Even flow of guests—including actress DIANA NAYLOR, Ulster M.P. Professor D. L. SAVORY, and three Polish generals—engaged to pay respects to both hosts was disturbed by the difficulty of negotiating the passage between.

There a little man in a black homburg made merry on his own.

Each time he swayed perilously along the narrow avenue he upset a pile of hats and coats on the monk's bench, and effectively threw the spanner into the work of equal distribution.

FASHION NOTE: The Duchess as well as the Dean, wore gaiters. Hers were grey.

FROM that IRVING BERLIN inspired cliché, "top hat, white tie, and tails," delete the first item.

At London's biggest formal turn-out since the war, the National Flaming Fields Ball, at which the DUKE OF EDINBURGH was host—not one top-wor was handed in at the Dorchester cloakrooms.

Trend towards ball-dress was carried to the extent of one young man wearing a white

tie with dinner-jacket. Fashion-writer (a male) among those present was horrified.

One blob of khaki among the black and white. Master Sergeant CLYDE MONTEY wore American Army battle-dress.

Nevertheless, the sergeant from Stewardson Illinois, said: "I get a kick out of going to these better-class places."

STREET SCENE: Mid-day in Mayfair—a large pantechnicon bearing the name of the best-known Transatlantic shipping company outside an elegant motor showroom in Davies-street.

Knots of lunchtime passers-by look glumly on as a super-shiny, spanking new car is loaded on to the van.

Isn't anybody happy at the thought of the dollars we're earning?

—(London Express Service)

## NANCY Empty Title





# Cowie Sues The H.K. Government For Wrongful Dismissal

(Continued from Page 1)

spector, Kowloon; that on June 5, 1947, plaintiff was arrested and summoned to appear before the Kowloon Magistracy on June 8, 1947 on a charge of accepting a bribe from Chan Yung-tong of \$50 with a view to influence him (plaintiff) contrary to the rules of honesty and integrity; that this summons was withdrawn at the hearing on July 10, 1947, that on August 12, 1947 plaintiff was held by a Departmental Board of Enquiry to have committed the offence of conduct calculated to bring the public service into disrepute by, whilst on duty, receiving \$50 from Chan Yung-tong, a person with whom he had come into contact in the course of his duty requiring him to inspect vehicles that they were in a roadworthy condition; that plaintiff had not been guilty of conduct calculated to bring the public service into disrepute.

## BAD CHARGE

The charge itself was bad and a number of irregularities occurred in the proceedings before the Board; that plaintiff was wrongfully dismissed by His Excellency the Governor on August 25, 1947 under Section 10 of the Police Force Ordinance No. 37 of 1932; that plaintiff denied that he had been guilty of any misconduct such as would justify dismissal under the said Section; that the proceedings before the Board of Enquiry were to assist the Governor in deciding whether to dismiss or not, but did not relieve defendant from proving the misconduct alleged at the trial of this action; that the rule that Government servants could be dismissed at will was not a part of any special prerogative of the Crown, but because such were the (usual) terms of their engagement; that it was not a term where there were provisions manifestly intended for the protection and benefit of the officer inconsistent therewith; that plaintiff had suffered damage by virtue of the wrongful dismissal without notice and in breach of contract, as follows: (a) the sum of \$7,516.13, made up of one month's salary at \$632.13, value of two free passages to England, £324 at \$1 per £, £5.18, gratuity, three months, £105 at \$1 per £, £3.15; (b) general damages to character and reputation which the said dismissal, imputing dishonest conduct, involved.

## STATEMENT OF DEFENCE

The Statement of Defence filed in this case, submitted that plaintiff's claim was bad in substance and in law, on the ground that the agreement alleged by plaintiff whereby he claimed he had been wrongfully dismissed could not lawfully be made up on behalf of His Majesty. The defendant further said that the Statement of Claim did not disclose a sufficient or lawful or any agreement between His Majesty and plaintiff, nor any engagement or service of the plaintiff otherwise than at His Majesty's pleasure, nor any award by or on behalf of His Majesty in favour of the claim alleged and on other grounds sufficient to sustain this demurrer; that alternatively defendant objected that the agreement alleged could not lawfully be made on behalf of His Majesty and that the true construction of the alleged agreement was an engagement of the plaintiff to His Majesty's pleasure, and did not confer any right of the plaintiff to any sum of money other than on his Majesty's bounty; that plaintiff was guilty of conduct calculated to bring the public service into disrepute and was not wrongfully dismissed. Following the finding by the Board of Enquiry the defendant and finding were regularly forwarded to H.E. the Governor who determined that such conduct merited dismissal; that there were no defects in the charge or irregularity in the proceedings before the Board of Enquiry which infringed the rules of natural justice; that plaintiff ought not to be admitted to say that he was not guilty of misconduct because of the fact of the finding of the Board of Enquiry which was final as a matter of judicially determined and not subject of appeal.

## SEEKS DIRECTION

Before opening his case, Mr Bernacchi applied to the Court for a direction as to whether or not he was entitled to general damages. He said he had prepared his case on the misrepresentation of a certain person (quoted to the Court), without being aware of the decision of the learned judges in another case before the House of Lords from which it appeared that it was not correct to ask for general damages for loss of character and reputation. Mr Bernacchi then applied to the Court for a direction as to whether or not he was entitled to general damages. He said he had prepared his case on the misrepresentation of a certain person (quoted to the Court), without being aware of the decision of the learned judges in another case before the House of Lords from which it appeared that it was not correct to ask for general damages for loss of character and reputation.

ter. In the present action, nothing more than special damages could be claimed. In fact, plaintiff was not entitled to any damages in the claim, as the statement of claim was one in name only, and did not specify the damages. What was set out was merely a statement of alleged damage suffered by the plaintiff through his dismissal.

His Lordship commented that the way in which pleadings were drafted in this Colony was quite horrifying. He added that he was not prepared to go into Mr Bernacchi's application at the moment without first considering the authorities, but if Mr Bernacchi had any amendment he wished to put forward, he could do so.

## ONUS ON CROWN

Opening his case, Counsel said that Mr Lonsdale had conceded that the right to begin with him (Mr Bernacchi), but the onus of proving misconduct lay with Crown Counsel. "This case is the case of Cowie v. the Attorney-General," Mr Bernacchi said. "It is a claim for damages for wrongful dismissal. It is, however, by no means the beginning of the case. Amongst these papers in front of me is a brief dated June, 1947, instructing me to appear in certain Police court proceedings in the case of Rex v. Cowie for the defence. In these proceedings, Cowie was charged with accepting a bribe."

The Chief Justice: What have these proceedings to do with this action? How are they relevant?

Mr Bernacchi: I suggest they are highly relevant. I have submitted to the Court a copy of the Crown's brief to me to appear in the proceedings in the case of Rex v. Cowie for the defence. The brief is dated June, 1947, and instructs me to appear in certain Police court proceedings in the case of Rex v. Cowie for the defence. In these proceedings, Cowie was charged with accepting a bribe."

## JUDGE'S RULING

His Lordship said he did not think the earlier proceedings were relevant to the issue before the Court, and told Counsel he made of them. Mr Bernacchi then went on to ask his Lordship for a ruling regarding the proceedings before the Board of Enquiry. The Chief Justice remarked that criminal proceedings had nothing to do with the action. Mr Bernacchi said that the Court and Jury, Mr Bernacchi said: Towards the end of 1947, there was held a Board of Enquiry set up by the Commissioner of Police and consisting of three Police officers for the purpose of enquiring into certain charges against Cowie. There were in all three charges, but of two the Board did not even call upon Cowie to reply. The remaining charge was the charge on which the Government dismissed plaintiff for misconduct and is the alleged misconduct which the defence relies upon in this action. In my statement of claim, of which I shall have to read you parts, there are alleged that certain irregularities took place before the Board of Enquiry. In fact, that is no longer of relevance to the Court. Mr Lonsdale: I don't like to interrupt an opening, but I cannot concede in an opening to references by my friend to matters which he himself says are not relevant.

## JURY TOLD TO LEAVE

The Jury was then asked to leave the Court. Mr Lonsdale told the Court that if Mr Bernacchi intended to introduce what occurred before the Board of Enquiry, he would claim privilege on the grounds that it was not in the interests of public policy to disclose them.

Mr Bernacchi replied that at the point where he was interrupted he merely wanted to tell the Jury that those allegations were made in his statement of claim, but that they were not now relevant because of a decision of the House of Lords.

The Chief Justice: If you will confine yourself to matters which are relevant you will avoid any unfair prejudice. If you claim that something is relevant, I am prepared to hear you.

Mr Bernacchi: I was prepared to address the Jury on the conduct of a particular Mr Shaftain before the Board of Enquiry which I would suggest displayed possibly—if I might use the word—animosity or an attitude of mind. The principal witness for the defence, Chan Yu-tong, was the man who was

carrying out Mr Shaftain's instructions. The Chief Justice: What has Mr Shaftain's attitude got to do with this case?

Mr Bernacchi: Insofar as it involved the relationship between him and Chan Yu-tong. Is Chan Yu-tong evidence that he offered Cowie a bribe and it was accepted, true, is it true that if any money was inserted into Cowie's pocket it was done without his knowledge. It is our case essentially that this money was placed on Cowie by Chan Yu-tong, he was promised by Shaftain that a number of traffic summonses against him would be withdrawn.

## "NO SUCH PROMISE"

Mr Lonsdale: There was no such promise to the man.

Mr Bernacchi: It is therefore in my submission significant in the type of attitude adopted by the Shaftain towards Cowie at the time of the Board of Enquiry, and in particular to the officer who was representing Cowie.

His Lordship suggested that Mr Bernacchi should not speak of any irregularities to the Jury. Mr Bernacchi said he understood Mr Lonsdale objected to any mention of the Board of Enquiry, but proposed to call Inspector Apple, who was appearing for Cowie, to speak as to the attitude adopted by the Police officer in charge of the case against Cowie and also in charge of the prosecution before the Board of Enquiry. The defence's principal witness was the Chinese who was acting on the instructions of Mr Shaftain. Counsel submitted that it was of some relevance to consider whether or not the Chinese was speaking the truth.

His Lordship remarked that at the moment he could not say any bearing, but if he saw any at a later stage they could go into the matter.

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## CROWN'S POSITION

Mr Lonsdale said he would like to make his position clear. He had sought the instructions of the Colonial Secretary, on notice to produce those minutes being given to him, as to whether he should allow them to be used or whether they should be decided by the Court that the Crown claimed privilege.

Mr Bernacchi told the Court he would go on to the onus of proof and to the question of what his damages were. That was a question which was open at the moment because of his intended amendment. He would then explain the actual charge on which Cowie was dismissed and the evidence which he proposed to call.

"I intend also to mention that there was a conviction on a bribery charge against a Sub-Inspector some weeks before, also in Kowloon. I intend to make a suggestion to the Jury that it was unlikely, in view of the very recent conviction of a Traffic Sub-Inspector for bribery, that one would find Cowie so openly accepting a bribe, as is contended in this case. I will put this suggestion to the Jury for what it is worth. I intend to open my other evidence—evidence of the general impression of the managers of two large taxi companies created by Cowie when he carried out his work. Then I intend to give authorities in support of my claim for the passages."

The Jury was then called back to Court.

The hearing is proceeding.

## Presentation To Sir R. Ho Tung

Sir Robert Ho Tung, who was Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital fifty years ago and has for many years served as a permanent adviser, was this morning the recipient of a silver tripod in a glass case. The presentation was made in the main hall of the Tung Wah Hospital, Po Yan Road, by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Cameron, in the presence of a large gathering. Sir Robert is leaving by air for the United Kingdom and Europe on Friday.

## FALLS TO HIS DEATH

Muenden, Germany, Apr. 24.—Josi Ernst, 21-year-old light rope walker, fell 150 feet to his death during a show here today.—Reuter.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



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## Shawcross Calls For Abolition Of Race Hatred

London, Apr. 24.—Sir Hartley Shawcross, the Attorney General, today appealed for the elimination of "abominable" racial doctrines and "mistaken causes" which, he said, "bring such horrors in their wake."

He told a meeting of the World Jewish Congress: "Even today in other countries, and even in our own, there are those who again seek to preach the odious doctrines by which the Nazis rose to power."

"In a land where freedom of speech is a most prized possession, these things cannot always be countered by the law. What is better is that they create such an outrage in the hearts and minds of men by the strength of public revulsion against them."

Sir Hartley said Hitler had failed to exterminate the Jewish race but had given the final impetus to the movement for a Jewish state.

"That state is now established and we wish it well, hoping that in peaceful and tolerant co-operation with the people of the Middle East and of the rest of the world it will make a contribution to peace, to prosperity, to human dignity and understanding," he said.

Recalling the Nazi gas chambers at Auschwitz and Treblinka and the liquidation of the Warsaw ghetto, Sir Hartley continued:

"We have punished (at Nuremberg) some of those responsible for these wicked deeds. International law has established them on a firm and lasting basis as crimes against humanity."

"The United Nations has adopted a declaration of minimum human rights and we move perhaps towards the establishment even in peacetime of an international criminal responsibility for those who destroy the fundamental dignity of man."—Associated Press.

It came on the eve of the crucial Cabinet meeting, which is to be held at No. 10 Downing Street tomorrow morning in detail and outline the government defence.

Several Ministers will probably be involved in the Commons debate because questions will be asked about the Foreign Office, the Admiralty and the Foreign Office—each considered by opposition critics to have a degree of responsibility for the incident.—United Press.

## Farmer Runs Berserk

Abilene, Kansas, Apr. 24.—Charles Rusk, 65-year-old farmer, shot dead the sheriff and his deputy here today, wounded his housekeeper and two neighbours and was then burned to death in his home after setting alight the outbuildings.

Rusk shot the housekeeper and fired two outbuildings after pouring gasoline on them. The housekeeper, wounded in the stomach, staggered to a nearby house for help. Two neighbours, alarmed by the fire, were shot, one of them in the face by Rusk when they approached the house.—Reuter.

## EMBARRASSING

Mitchell Field, New York, Apr. 24.—An embarrassed fire truck crew today stood helplessly while fire destroyed a crashed plane.

The firemen had used all their fire-fighting foam putting out a demonstration fire for volunteer firemen. An Air Force Mustang fighter, which crashed during takeoff, was destroyed by flames but the crew members escaped uninjured.—United Press.

Another idea that is catching on among women in New York City is hiring for the evening. This started a couple of years ago, on the eve of the opening of the Metropolitan Opera season. Now it is a big business.

—(London Express Service)

## West German Constitution Agreement

Only One Point Of Difference

Bonn, Apr. 24.—Party leaders in the Constituent Assembly here today reached agreement on all the critical issues, except one, concerning the drawing up of a West German Constitution. This concerned the form of religious instruction to be given in State schools, which is a point of great difference between the Christian Democrats and the Social Democrats.

The new general agreement follows within 48 hours the preliminary Allied note giving the Germans increased scope in drawing up their own Constitution.

A new agreed formula on the distribution of financial and legislative powers between the Federal Government and the individual States was transmitted to the Military Governors tonight in preparation for tomorrow's meeting between them and the Assembly leaders.

Financially, the new formula complies with the Allied demands for a separate administration for State taxes but provides that the Federal Government has sufficient taxes for its own tasks. The new legislative proposals reduce the powers of the Federal Council, though not as drastically as the Social Democrats had wished.

Apart from constitutional changes, the consent of the Federal Council will still be necessary for the laws affecting State revenues. Federal grants to financially weak States, laws affecting State frontiers and those creating new Federal authorities.

Apart from the financial and legislative proposals, the other parties are prepared in principle to meet the Christian Democrats demand for a shortening of the draft.

The Christian Democrats, however, are unwilling to pass the articles dealing with the right of parents to determine the type of religious instruction which their children should receive in State schools.

It was suggested today by the Social Democrats that the question of denominational schools should be left to legislation by States, which are generally to be responsible for education.—Reuter.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Govt. Tendering System

Sir,—Readers of the correspondence columns of the local Press have recently been treated to a great deal of acrimonious debate, between Government servants on the one hand and members of the public on the other, as to the subject of corruption in Government Departments and, whilst we can appreciate the feelings of those Government servants, by no means in the minority, who are honestly attempting to do a good job, we wonder how many of them realise to what extent the secretive methods adopted by Government, and its failure to reply to just criticism or enquiry, are responsible for fostering the suspicions entertained in the minds of the public?

Let us cite just one instance. Where else in the world does one find a Government Municipal Council or other civic body, behaving as does the Government of this Colony in the matter of tenders for the supply of materials for Government use or the execution of Government contracts?

The universal practice in matters of this kind for the Government or public body concerned to call for sealed tenders and, the merits of those tenders having been weighed, thereafter to publish a complete list of the names of tenderers and bids submitted together with an indication of the successful tenderer.

Here in Hong Kong we are from time to time notified through the mediums of the Gazette or the Press that tenders for certain materials or works will be received by the Chairman of the Tender Board and then, after a lapse of two or three weeks, we find published in the Gazette a list of "the names of successful tenderers" with not only no mention of the names of, and bids submitted by, unsuccessful tenderers, but not even the figures of the accepted bids.

Is it then to be wondered that many businessmen subscribe to the belief that all Government tenders are "fixed" and are sceptical regarding the honesty of purpose underlying Government's invitation to tender?

There is a great need for the tightening up of the regulations governing Government spending and until this is done, suspicion of corruption in this respect, whether justified or not, will be removed from the public mind.

[One paragraph, which contains a dangerous imputation, has been deleted from the above letter. We suggest to the correspondent that he forward his information to the proper authorities.—ED, HK.]

## Naval Functions Cancelled

The following notice has been issued by the Naval authorities: In the present circumstances and in the likely absence of Vice Admiral A.G.G. Madden CB, CBE, Mrs Madden much regrets that luncheon and dinner parties which were to have been given by the Flag Officer Second in Command, Far East Station during the coming week and for which invitations have been issued, must now be cancelled.

## U.S. SLIDE IN PRICES

(Continued from Page 4)

The secret of her success, she says, was not only the shortage of shirts when she started out. It was masculine vanity. In her experience, love a shirt of distinctive cut and colour, with monogram on the breast.

The husband-and-wife idea will catch on, she thinks, because the will always try to get the man to make the selection first, so that it is still his shirt, and his wife just wears a copy.

Prices: About 20 Gs. a shirt.

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## BRITAIN'S SOCCER SELECTORS HAVE

## An Outsize In Headaches

By ARCHIE QUICK

England's soccer selectors have an outsize in headaches. To panic or not to panic, that is the question. In three weeks time two dozen players labelled England "A" and "B" teams have to embark on the biggest ever Continental tour, tackling Sweden, Norway, Finland and France at Stockholm, Oslo, Helsinki and Paris respectively.

But the choosing has to be done now. In fact many players have been told to stand by with their passports ready. But what happens now in view of the Wembley catastrophe when England were whipped 3-1 by Scotland? England's postwar supremacy has been so long and so secure that the defeat came as a cloudburst to the selectors.

It was apparent on Wembley's lovely turf that many professionals who have served England so faithfully and well during previous years have had their day. Youngsters waiting to step in include Ditchburn (Spurs), Butler (Preston) Merriek (Birmingham) and Stretton (Luton).

To complete the half-back line with Wright and Franklin would think in terms of Dickinson (Preston), Harrison (Leicester) or Harvey (Newcastle).

Cockburn missed his chance. The full-back berth is a real problem. The last running Scottish wingers, Waddell and Kelly, made an awful mess of Aston and Howe.

Scott (Arsenal) should come in with Westwood (Manchester United) or Robinson (Middlesbrough) as partner.

Fighting Stan Mortenson was the only English forward with any devil or shot in him but Matthews will probably keep his place, because no Continental can do what Cox (Rangers) did at Wembley. Bentley (Chelsea) and Rowley (Manchester United) should go into the team against Sweden.

Go-ahead Johnny Hancock (Wolves) ousted Tom Finney in the left wing.

When I saw the Scotland team before the match, they were apprehensive of defeat because of the English League's resounding victory at Ibrox Park a fortnight earlier.

In fact, famous Andy Cunningham had not known such a nervous Scottish XI before for twenty years. Scotland's series of miraculous saves by goalkeeper Cowan in the first twenty minutes.

## Bromley Wins Amateur Cup

London, Apr. 23.—Bromley, of Kent, today won the Amateur Cup of soccer football for the third time in their career when they beat Romford, of Essex, in the final at Wembley Stadium by one goal to zero.

The all-important goal came after 20 minutes when Tommy Hopper, Bromley's inside-right, who played for Britain in the Olympic Games, scored, following a close passing forwards.

This was the first time that the Amateur Cup had been played at Wembley and the 95,000 crowd was easily a record for the amateur game in Britain.

Romford strove desperately for an equalizer but occasionally by their forwards missed chances while their wing halves were at times faulty.

Romford's defence was stubborn against the closer type of play adopted by Bromley, who were on the day's play deserving winners.—Reuter.

## Arsenal To Tour Brazil

London, Apr. 23.—Arsenal's close season tour of Brazil is definitely on.

Manager, Tom Whittaker has completed a contract for the trip which will be the longest in the Club's history.

At least 20 players and officials will take part and insurance cover amount to £400,000.

The party will fly from England in two groups on May 9 and May 11 in two British South American Airways planes and play the first of their six matches on May 15.

The return trip will probably be by sea.—Reuter.

## GOING HOME



Gaffer Ben Hogan, pale after almost two months hospitalisation, is helped aboard a train at El Paso, Tex., by friend Howard Maxon. He's going home to Fort Worth, Tex., to recover completely from an auto-bus collision last February.—AP Wirephoto.

## Rangers Win Scottish Cup

Glasgow, Apr. 23.—A crowd of 120,000 packed into Hampden Park to see Glasgow Rangers beat Clyde by four goals to one in the Scottish Cup Final and so retain trophy. Today's victory was their eighth in the last 21 years.

At the start play swung from end to end, with one shot from Waddell striking the outside of the Clyde net. A greasy ball and slippery conditions underfoot spoiled some promising moves before danger at the Rangers' end was cleared by Cullen in goal.

Then at the other end a header from Thompson hit the bar, but Rangers, who were more direct in attack, took the lead just before halftime.

The goal came from a penalty taken by Young and within a few minutes McCall picked up a clearance from the Clyde goal area, passed to Waddell, whose cross kick was converted by Williamson for the second goal.

Clyde started the second half in determined fashion and quickly reduced their arrears. Campbell took a free kick and lobbed the ball into Rangers area, where Linwood headed back for Gallely to score.

Another penalty for Rangers was once more converted by Young and the holders were now on top.

At times the Clyde defence was under pressure, but then Clyde rallied only to be sent back with Rangers returning to the offensive.

In a final end-Thornhill combined well to spread-angle the Clyde defence and a header from Thornhill only just missed. Before the end, however, Duncan scored the fourth goal and for the rest of the game Rangers penned Clyde to the defence.—Reuter.

## BELGIUM BEATS EIRE

Dublin, Apr. 24.—Belgium defeated Ireland by two goals to one in a football international here today.

Both goals were scored in the second half.—Reuter.

## Paris Tennis

Paris, Apr. 24.—The American veteran Frank Parker smashed his way to a hard-fought victory over the No. 1 French player Marcel Bernard, to win the men's singles in the Paris International tennis tournament here.

The score was 6-0, 5-7, 3-6, 6-7, 6-2.—United Press.

Henri Cochet, of France, and Pedro Massip, of Spain, won the men's doubles title in the international lawn tennis championships here today.

They beat the French pair, Marcel Bernard and Jacques Thomas 3/6, 7/5, 5/7, 6/2, 6/1.

Massip was also on the winning side in the mixed doubles final, partnering Myrtle Brunner (France) to a 6/4, 6/1 victory over Pierre Gosland (Belgium) and Gloria Butler (USA).—Reuter.

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## LOU BRISSIE VERY MUCH ALIVE

New York, Apr. 24.—Lefty Lou Brissie, the gallant guy who was left for dead on a European battlefield, pitched his second straight victory of the season today as sizzling Athletics defeating Senators on four hits, 8-3. The triumph gave Philadelphia a sweep of the three-game series and marked Washington's sixth straight defeat.

Athletics were led to victory in their 12-hit assault on three pitchers by Hank Majeski, who hit a homer and two singles and drove in three runs. Brissie, who beat Red Sox in his opening game, struck out six batters.

Yankees also stayed on a campaign, making it two out of three from Red Sox in Boston. Coming from behind with a six-run eighth inning for a 9-4 victory. Gene Woodling eliminated the winning inning by hitting a three-run homer.

PERPLEXING Chicago White Sox, practically everybody's "best bet" to finish last in the American League, stretched their early season winning streak to five games—longest of the campaign—when they topped St. Louis Browns, 2-1 and 4-0. In the opener, shortstop Eddie Pellagrini's wild throw enabled Sox to put over two unearned runs in the ninth.

New York Giants won their second straight game from Braves at New York, 6-2, scoring all of their runs in the first two innings, three of them on a homer by Bobby Thomson.

Cincinnati Reds and Pittsburgh Pirates divided a doubleheader at Pittsburgh, Cincinnati taking the opener, 3-2 in 10 innings when rookie Charley Cress singled home the winning run.

Earlier another Red rookie, Lloyd Merriman, hit his first Major League homer to break a one-all tie, after which Pirates' Ralph Kiner homered to tie it at two all. Pittsburgh took the second game, 3-1, as lefty Cliff Chambers went the distance and gave up hits to score his first victory for Pirates.

Pirates and Dodgers divided, Philadelphia taking the opener 7-4 on a margin of homers by R. C. Ashburn and Eddie Miller. Dodgers took the second game 6-5, pounding out 11 hits.

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## New Zealanders May Win Test Series

By PETER DITTON

On April 30 at Wembley Stadium, London, 100,000 soccer fans who have been lucky enough to get tickets, will be shouting themselves hoarse as they watch the F.A. Cup final between Wolverhampton Wanderers and Leicester City.

Meanwhile up in Bradford, 200 miles away, the first post-war New Zealand cricket team to visit England will be commencing their first three-day fixture of the tour against Yorkshire. That game will officially mark the opening of the 1949 English cricket season.

Naturally great interest will be centred round the visit of the tourists. They will play four three-day Test matches against England and they also have a stiff programme of games against county cricketers.

What sort of team have they? What are their chances of victory in the Test matches? These are two big questions which cricket enthusiasts all over England are asking themselves.

The New Zealanders are an unknown quantity at present, although stories of their past cricketing great deeds with the bat have already come floating back half way round the world. By and large, no-one has any real idea how the men from "down-under" will shape, and it was in an attempt to form an impression of their ability that I went along to Eastbourne recently to watch them practising at the nets.

SETTLING DOWN Very wisely they have allowed themselves nearly a month to get acclimatised and they are settling down nicely. I saw sufficient to convince me that Sutcliffe is indeed one of the greatest left-handers in the world. Despite the soft turning wicket, he struck the ball with perfect timing.

Wallace, the Vice-captain, also impressed. This, of course is his second visit to England. He was here with the 1937 New Zealand team and in that season, he scored over 1,600 runs. From what I saw at Eastbourne I should say he is at least capable of equalling that total, if not bettering it.

The bowling was not quite up to the same standard. But there was a reason for this. It would be foolish to risk a strained muscle at this early stage and naturally the bowlers took things fairly quietly.

Even so, Cowie gave every indication of having plenty of "pace" in reserve and Hayes, both fast and straight—a virtue many English bowlers might copy with success. Rabone, who tossed the ball well up, managed to make it turn quite quickly and he bowled the mighty Sutcliffe with one perfect googly.

With one perfectly good googly, undoubtedly a bundle of talent in this New Zealand side, but to my mind the key man of the tour will not be Wallace, the captain, Sutcliffe or any individual bowler. The person on whom most will depend is a man called Donnelly, the Warwickshire left-hander, who hails from New Zealand and who joined the tourists at Southampton.

Donnelly has been playing fast regularly in English cricket since the war and has been on more than one occasion, the backbone of the Warwickshire batting. He is undoubtedly one of the best left-hand batsmen in the world today and nothing is more certain than that he would walk into a present-day England eleven.

Beside his ability as a batsman, Donnelly is also a shrewd tactician. He has played on most English county grounds since the war, and against most county cricketers. He knows the strength and weakness of the individuals and also of the teams whom the New Zealanders will meet.

His advice will enable them to alter their tactics to suit their opponents. This "inside-information" should, in many cases, enable the tourists to bring off fine victories.

Whether Donnelly's advice will prove as effective in the Test series is a different question. England can put a strong batting eleven into the field, including such fine players as Compton, Hutton, Washbrook and Edrich. In a three-day Test match, these four alone should be able to score sufficient runs to avoid any possibility of a home defeat.

On the other hand this New Zealand side is supposed to be the best batting eleven to have left the Dominion and it is doubtful whether England have a strong enough attack to dismiss their opponents twice in the short space of three days.

At least, that is how it appears in theory. But the weather is likely to play a big part in the outcome. If either side is lucky enough to catch their opponents on a "sticky dog" the issue could be decided in a couple of days.

In any event there is a good chance of bright, entertaining cricket. The tourists have yet to score a victory in a Test match against England. This is their great opportunity. They are a fine young side, (average age, 29) and full of

confidence. Who can deny that, granted the luck every cricket team needs, the visitors have a 50-50 chance of beating England? —(London Express Service).

## Six New County Captains

London, Apr. 23.—A great deal of importance is attached to the captaincy of county cricket clubs and it is therefore surprising that of six new captains appointed this season, four of them have had little or no experience of first class cricket.

Lancashire, who have an eye on the championship this season, will be captained by Nigel Howard, 23-year-old son of Major Howard, the former Lancashire secretary.

Howard, who succeeds Kenneth Cranston, made his debut in 1947, but last summer was his first full season with Lancashire. He is a useful all-rounder, a batsman and a bowler, well suited for the job. If he can carry the burden well, he is expected to improve on his last season's average of 38.78.

Leicestershire, who for the past two seasons have relied on an experienced professional, Leslie Berry, to lead the side, revert to an amateur—Stuart J. Symington, whose only experience of first class cricket was two matches for the county last summer.

An unenviable task has been allotted to David Clark, appointed as captain to Kent this year. He succeeds Brian Valentine, a talented and experienced skipper, at a time when Kent's playing strength is not what it might be.

Clark has had little experience of county standard but is well-known as captain of the Mote Cricket Club.

Derbyshire will be led by D. A. Skinner, an all-rounder who made his debut two seasons ago. Twenty-nine years of age, Skinner is a right-hand bat and leg break bowler. He succeeds E. J. Gotherd.

Perhaps the most interesting feature of the coming season will be the performance of Northamptonshire, holders of the "wooden spoon".

This season, they will be captained by the former Surrey and England all-rounder, Freddie Brown. At 39 years of age, this outstanding personality, who, joined Northamptonshire under special registration, succeeds A. W. Childs-Clarke.

A fast scoring and aggressive bat and leg spin bowler, Brown is the type of captain to bring the best out of Northamptonshire's wealth of talent and take the club into the higher places of the table.

Tom Doolery, who shared Warwickshire's captaincy last season with H. H. Muddisley, takes over full control this season and becomes the second professional to win this distinction—the first being Berry, of Leicestershire.—Reuter.

## IOC MEETING

Rome, Apr. 24.—The International Olympic Committee opened its session here today and observers said the presence here of Japan's representative would give rise to arguments that Germany should send a delegate also.

Thirty nations sent representatives, who attended a sequence of special functions preparatory to the week-long meeting, the agenda of which has still not been announced.

The United States member, Mr. Avery Brundage, said he felt both Japan and Germany would be reinstated when their participation was approved by the Occupation Authorities.

Observers pointed out, however, that while arguments for the readmission of Germany might increase because of the presence of a Japanese representative, the fact remained that Germany was still divided into two zones.

It was believed delegates would discuss 1950 arrangements for the Helsinki meeting and discuss the 1950 site, with Detroit, Melbourne, Los Angeles and Buenos Aires under consideration.—United Press.

## La Beach Equals Sprint Record

Provo, Utah, Apr. 24.—Jesse Owens' 14-year-old world record of 20.3/10 seconds for 220 yards was not equalled here yesterday by Lloyd La Beach, of Panama, who finished third in the London Olympics sprint events.

The record, set up by Owens in 1935, was previously equalled by La Beach last June.—Reuter.

## Entries For "Guineas"

London, Apr. 24.—There are 17 probable runners for the Two Thousand Guineas, first of the 1949 classics, to be run over one mile at Newmarket next Wednesday, April 27.

They are: Makapura (C. Smirke), Grant (T. Burn), Roca Diable (no jockey), Nimble (E. C. Elliott), Starling (D. Smith), Bear Dance (C. Spares), Hindostan (Edgar Britt), Barnet Park (no jockey), Abernethy (Gordon Richards), Hampden Park (G. Wells), Decorum (T. Weston), Peter Flower (W. Rickaby), China Verdict (T. Evans), Beverly (J. Doyasere), Amour Drake (W. Johnstone), Lighterman (no jockey), and Galley Proof (no jockey).

Lighterman and Galley Proof are doubtful runners.

For the fillies classic, the One Thousand Guineas, to be run over one mile at Newmarket on Friday, April 29, there are 25 probable.

They are: Avila (M. Beary), Jet Plane (P. Evans), Taplow (T. Burn), Solar Myth (T. Gosling), Reckless Lady (E. C. Elliott), La Duchesse (no jockey), Deed II (no jockey), Double Deal (no jockey), St. Michael (W. T. Evans), Ball Island (no jockey), Fair Debit (T. Wallace), Queen of Basrah (Gordon Richards), Electric Lady (no jockey), Ballochmyle (G. Wells), Run Honey (D. Smith), Viceyard (W. Johnstone), Vice Pearl (no jockey), Three Weeks (Edgar Britt), Vale of Towy (C. Smirke), Princess Rose (no jockey), Unknown Quantity (W. Rickaby), Sunline (no jockey) and The Satellite (no jockey).

The last two are double runners.

In both classics all carry nine stone.—Reuter.

French Challengers Paris, Apr. 24.—Two possible French candidates for the Ascot Gold Cup, Turmoil and Allin Drake, finished second and third, respectively, today in the Prix Jean Prat for four-year-olds, run over one mile seven furlongs at Longchamp.

Turmoil—ridden by—Rae Johnstone, lost by a head in a thrilling finish to Espèce Vitale, a 12 to 1 outsider, ridden by Charles Bouillon. Allin Drake was a further three lengths away third of six runners.—Reuter.

India Beats Scotland India beat Scotland yesterday morning in a close international tournament hockey match at the Sookpoo ground by one goal to nil.

The Indian forwards and wingers swept into action right from the start and within a few minutes Mickey Ram had the ball through the posts to score the one and only goal of the game.

Scotland pressed to the attack in an endeavour to level the score, but the position play of the Indians, especially the backs kept them well away from the goal-mouth.

Scotland: Honey (goalkeeper), Blackburn, E. Whitley, Leslie, Haig, Rouson, Wilson, Hopper, Boycott, T. Whitley, Fraser.

India: Manjhan Singh (goalkeeper), M. S. Grewal, Mahan Singh, Bhagat Singh, J. S. Dhillon, Pinto, Narinder Singh, Mickey Ram and U. S. Dillon.

TODAY'S MATCH The match in the first round of the International Tournament between England and Holland will be played at Sookpoo this evening, kick-off at 5.45 p.m.

Squash Rackets London, Apr. 24.—Mahmoud El Karim of Cairo, British open squash rackets champion, reached the final of this year's title event yesterday by defeating F. A. Barretto, amateur champion, 2-0, 9-0.

El Karim went off at such a pace that Barretto found himself six points down before he scored.

The English amateur rackets covered in the second game and actually led 3-1. Karim, however, rarely faltered in his perfect stroke production and completed the match with the loss of only one more point.—Associated Press.

## The Week-End Scoreboard

## FOOTBALL

FIRST DIVISION  
St. Joseph's 0 S. China "A" 3  
CAA 0 Navy 0  
RAF 1 S. China "B" 6  
Club 1 Army 2  
Police 4 KMB 5  
Eastern 0 Kwong Wah 1

HOW THEY STAND Goals  
P W D L F A Pts  
S. China "A" 21 10 1 1 60 10 30  
Chinese 22 10 3 4 52 28 35  
AA 22 17 0 6 28 34  
KMB 22 13 5 4 51 31  
Army 22 13 1 8 37 27  
Club 21 10 2 9 50 44 22  
S. China "B" 22 6 10 10 51 60 18  
Eastern 24 8 2 14 51 60 18  
St. Joseph's 22 7 3 12 48 56 17

SECOND DIVISION  
CAA 1 S. Joseph's 0  
S. China 0 KMB 0  
Club 0 FA 0  
Army (K) 0 Solitaires 1  
Dockeyard 2 Tramways 0

HOW THEY STAND Goals  
P W D L F A Pts  
Chinese 20 22 2 2 90 22 46  
KMB 22 19 4 2 91 28 42  
Army 26 18 2 6 93 50 38  
South 27 15 6 6 60 42 36  
Army (K) 22 13 4 3 48 20 34  
Royal Navy 25 15 2 8 85 37 32  
Kitcher 27 13 8 6 58 37 32  
Dockeyard 25 11 2 12 69 74 24  
Tramways 26 10 2 14 59 66 22  
CAA 25 9 3 13 48 72 10  
Police 25 6 13 48 72 10  
St. Joseph's 26 7 1 18 43 78 15  
Club 27 5 17 35 78 15  
Solitaires 27 6 1 20 45 68 13  
Talkoo 28 5 2 21 34 103 12  
WD Chinese 20 2 3 15 27 93 7

HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL SERIES  
India 1 Scotland 0

SOFTBALL HONG KONG LEAGUE  
Sanyue 13 Callex 10  
Gibbs 22 H.K.M.U. 9  
APL-Shell game postponed.

THIS WEEK'S SOCCER TUESDAY First Division  
KMB v RAF (Postponed from 6.45). Boundary, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: J. G. Padley, linesmen: S. M. Liu, W. Gibson).  
Kitcher v Club (Postponed from 10.24). S. China Hill, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: W. Gaffney, linesmen: Y. F. Mak, R. P. Li).

WEDNESDAY Second Division  
South China v Army-Ki, Caroline Hill, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: F. A. Barretto).  
Solitaires v Police, Army "I", 5.45 p.m. (Ref: Li Bing Tong).  
Kitcher v St. Joseph's, Club, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: Sgt. Manson).  
CAA v KMB, Boundary, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: Lai Duen Po).

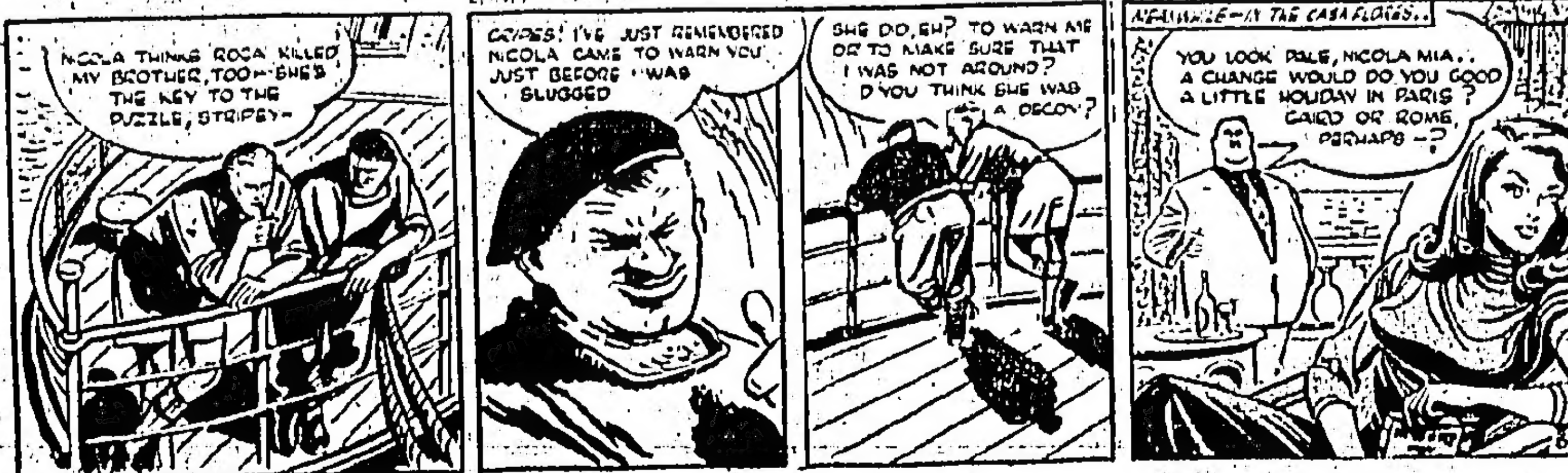
THURSDAY Second Division  
PCA v Dockeyard, Navy, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: Pete. Collins).  
Tramways v Army-HK, Army "II", 5.45 p.m. (Ref: S. Y. Kwok).  
Talkoo v Navy, Caroline Hill, 5.45 p.m. (Ref: W. Crawford).  
WD Chinese v Club, Cancelled.

SATURDAY First Division  
Eastern v CAA, Caroline Hill, 5 p.m. (Ref: J. Ward, linesmen: A. Leek/A. Ribeiro).  
Kwong Wah v Club, Boundary, 5 p.m. (Ref: A. F. Willis, linesmen: Li Bing Tong/H. Richardson).  
Second Division  
Kitcher v Army-HK, Caroline Hill, 5.30 p.m. (Ref: A. Leek).  
CAA v Navy, Boundary, 5.30 p.m. (Ref: Li Bing Tong).  
PCA v Army-Ki, Army "I", 5.30 p.m. (Ref: Lai Duen Po).  
St. Joseph's v South China, Club, 5.30 p.m. (Ref: A. F. P. Guest).

SUNDAY First Division  
KMB v Kitcher, Boundary, 5 p.m. (Ref: Capt. Chinnall, linesmen: V. Gibson/H. Richardson).  
South China "B" v Police, Caroline Hill, 5 p.m. (Ref: R. M. O'Neil, linesmen: F. A. Barretto/S. Y. Kwok).  
RAF v South China "A", Sookpoo, 5 p.m. (Ref: Capt. Stone, linesmen: P. Collins/Sgt. Manson).  
Second Division  
Talkoo v Club, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m. (Ref: F. A. Barretto).  
Tramways v Police, Sookpoo, 3.30 p.m. (Ref: Pete. Collins).

Basketball League Results of the Colony Basketball League matches played at Caroline Hill yesterday:  
First Division—Black Cats beat H.K. Chinese, 34-30.  
Second Division—Li Bing Tong beat Yung School 30-20.  
The S.C.A.A. beat the Southern Commercial College 47-32 in a friendly match played at Caroline Hill yesterday.

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## MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Partner's Ace Is Trumped Correctly

1094	AKQJ	83
108	AKQJ	97543
AK107	WSE	2
Q32	Dealer	QJ5
AK104		
AKQJ752		
QJ		
K73		

Tournament—E-W vul.

South	West	North	East
1	2	3	Pass
2	3	4	Pass
3	4	5	Pass
4	5	6	Pass
5	6	7	Pass
6	7	8	Pass
7	8	9	Pass
8	9	10	Pass
9	10	11	Pass
10	11	12	Pass

Opening—K

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

ONE of our favourite eating spots in New York City is the Trader Tom Steak House, where our favourite waiter, Eddie Niles, never fails to produce a steak just the way you want it. One of Eddie's biggest problems is to get the steak on the table when a bridge foursome gets into a discussion.

The other day we were discussing the hand shown today, which had been written on the tablecloth. A young man, Eddie, with the four hot steaks, but there was no place to put them except on top of our heads. Everybody was in a huddle around the hand, discussing the bidding.

Somebody remarked, "You can't beat four spades," whereupon Eddie said, "Why don't you trump your partner's ace and lead a club? That will beat it, and then I can put these steaks down."

Look the hand over. West opens the king of diamonds and continues with ace. East knows that South must have the queen of diamonds. If West had the queen, he would have led it instead of the ace. If East refuses to trump the ace of diamonds, there is nothing West can do but to cash the ace of clubs.

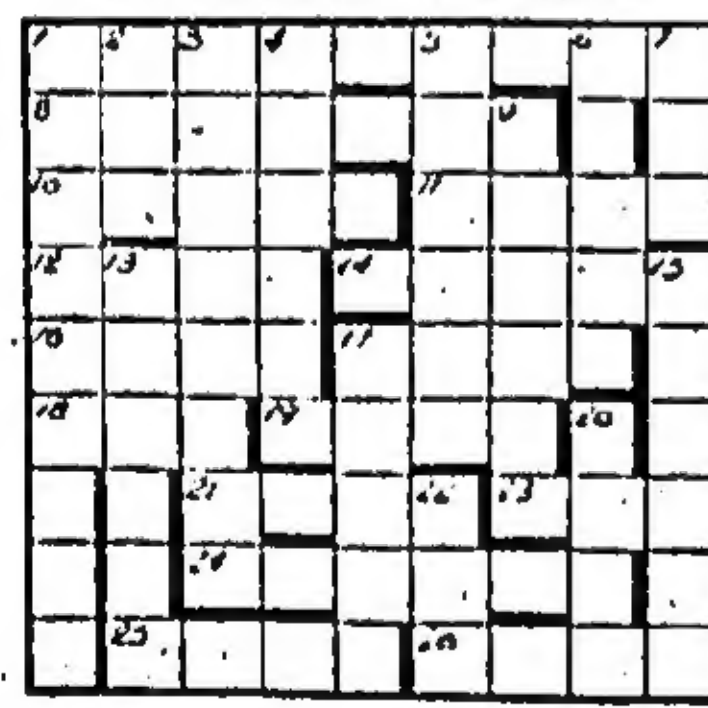
If East trumps his partner's ace of diamonds and leads the queen of clubs, East and West are bound to cash the first five tricks, setting the contract two tricks.

Rupert & the live toys—13



Rupert gazes kindly at the two toy animals. "You poor things," he cries, "so all you want to do is belong to somebody! Well, so you shall. I'll get all my pals together and we'll... He breaks off suddenly, for Sylvia, hearing voices, has come near and, seeing the giraffe and the hippo, pulls the whistle from her pocket. "Hi, don't blow that, until you've learned everything," says Rupert, running to her. Come and hear what has happened, then we must decide what we ought to do."

## CROSSWORD



Across  
1. Security. (10)  
2. A flood time Ben I (anag.). (10)  
3. Colour. (4)  
4. 12. Accept. (3)  
5. 14. 15. 16. After big game. (4-5)  
6. Passage in which you leave the audit. (4)  
7. Tale overdone in a way. (4)  
8. May have the key to learning. (10)  
9. Leads provided a record due. (4)  
10. It may mean stop. (3)  
11. See 3. Down  
12. About the waist line. (4)  
13. Noticed in reverence. (4)  
Down  
1. Without delay. (10)  
2. It's a pinch. (3)  
3. 2. 3. 4. That it looks to the King and Jack to upset tomes. (7-10)  
4. Consequence. (5)  
5. Air coming back upsets the air. (10)  
6. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 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# INDIA'S STATUS WITH BRITISH C'WEALTH

## May Recognise His Majesty As First Citizen

London, Apr. 24.—The future relationship of the Indian Republic with the British Commonwealth is expected to be set down constitutionally in the Indian President's oath of office.

Informants said the oath would not entail the Indian President's allegiance to the King, but would regard him as the first citizen of the Commonwealth, with which the Republic would be associated.

This is part of the plan by which the sovereign Indian Republic could retain Commonwealth ties, but it will be several days before the Commonwealth conference currently meeting in London would consider it.

If the plan is accepted, informants said the oath would be along these lines: "I solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the Indian Republic and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the Independent sovereign Republic of the Indian Union."

"I also solemnly affirm India's association with the Commonwealth of Nations, of which the British King is the supreme head."

**VETO ABOLITION**  
This form of India's relationship would entail no fundamental changes in Commonwealth structure, except for some minor eliminations such as the prefix "British" and the term "Dominion status." King George would in future be known merely as "The King of such Indian Republics." Constitutional measures became law.

In addition, it is understood the Royal Executive Functions and Seals Act of 1934, which abolished the King's power of veto in South Africa, is likely to be extended to India by a bill of amendment to be passed in the British Parliament. The Statute of Westminster stipulates that legislation in matters of the King's title can be introduced only by agreement among Britain and all the Dominions.

It is understood the Commonwealth acceptance of this constitutional relationship for the Indian Republic would satisfy the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru. Commonwealth prime ministers are considering the implications of this formula over the weekend in separate groups and will again meet at 3 p.m. in Monday—United Press.

### FAMED JUDGE DIES

Sandwich, Kent, Apr. 24.—Lord Uthwatt, Appeal Judge, died at his home here today, aged 70. He headed the Government set up by the Government in February, 1941, to investigate problems of post-war reconstruction.

Many of the recommendations made in the report of this committee, which became known as the Uthwatt Report, have since been implemented by Parliamentary legislation.—Reuter.

### UMBERTO IN BARCELONA

Barcelona, Apr. 24.—Ex-King Umberto of Italy arrived here unexpectedly from Madrid on Saturday night, accompanied by his son and daughter.

Umberto was met by his wife, the former Queen Marie Jose. The whole family are living on the outskirts of Barcelona in a private residence. Ex-Queen Marie Jose was expected to consult an eye specialist some time this week.—Associated Press.

**Bao Dai For Saigon**  
Canh, Apr. 24.—Ex-Empress Bao Dai left Nicos today for Saigon by plane.

Bao Dai's plane is due to arrive in Saigon on Friday, April 29.—Associated Press.



Actress Lila Leeds, her arm in a cast, comforted by Ambulance Attendant Francis McCarthy, awaits removal to a hospital from a Hollywood doctor's office where she was treated for shock, bruises and a fractured right arm after an automobile collision. The 21-year-old blonde actress, recently involved with Robert Mitchum in a narcotics case, is scheduled to begin work on May 5 on a film entitled "The Devil's Weed," dealing with marijuana traffic.—AP Picture.

## 63-Year-Old Runs 20 Miles In 6½ Hours

### Then Issues Public Challenge

London, Apr. 24.—White-haired, 63-year-old Charles Hart, escorted by police and movie cameramen, today ran 20 miles from the country into London at the rate of three miles an hour.

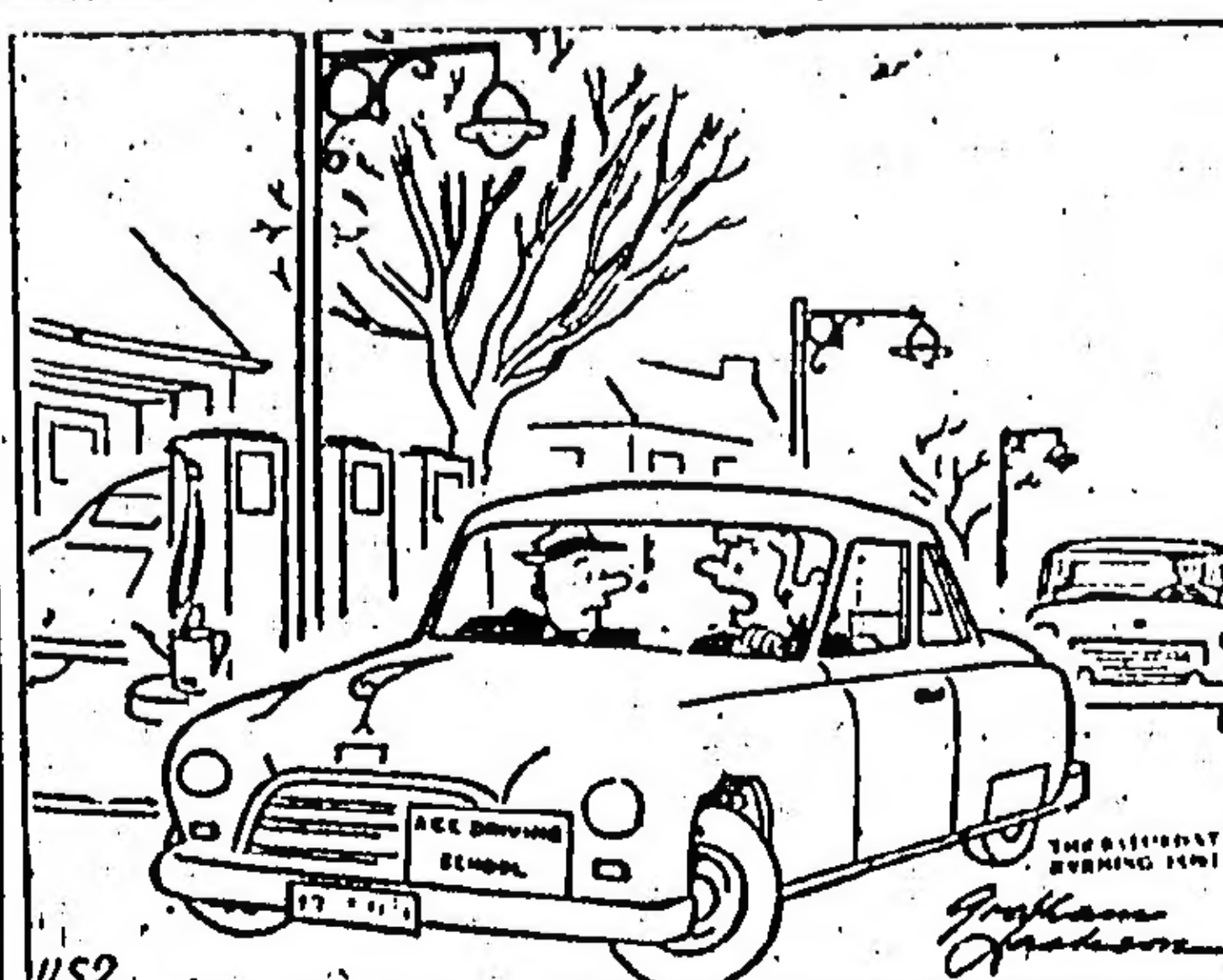
"Continuous Motion Charlie," who, at 63, won a world championship continuous motion contest in California by keeping on the move for 1,062 hours—set off from the small town of Slough at 7.12 a.m. today after a breakfast of two soft-boiled eggs and toast.

Soon he slipped into an easy shuffling run. After the first six miles he slowed down, and telling a waiting reporter "I am going to sleep now," closed his eyes and jogged on.

**TRIUMPHANT ARRIVAL**  
Hot but triumphant he arrived in London's Trafalgar Square at 1.30 p.m. Later, he publicly challenged any man in the world over 64 to race him over 30 miles.

Hart, who is barely five feet two inches—he calls himself "a half pint of a man"—estimates that since he ran his first race for a penny bun at a Sunday School "do," he has run 750,000 miles.

In all, he has won 600 events—and in all kinds of weather: sandstorms, thunderstorms, blizzards and, on one occasion, a temperature of 130 degrees. In 1924 he ran a six-day race with the racehorse "Country Lassie" and won by eight miles.—Reuter.



"What signal do I give if I start to turn right and change my mind?"

## Actress Hurt In Accident

## Jerusalem Celebrates Its Easter

Jerusalem, Apr. 24.—Church bells have been ringing in Jerusalem since midnight as Greek and Russian Orthodox Catholics celebrated their Easter. Midnight Mass was celebrated in the Russian and Abyssinian Churches, in the mainly Jewish quarter of Jerusalem, but attendance was small.

Orthodox Easter services were also taking place in the Old City, which is held by Transjordan forces. In Moscow, churches were crowded out for Midnight Masses last night to celebrate the Orthodox Church Easter. Alexei, the Patriarch of All the Russians, officiated at a three-hour service in the packed Yelokhovskiy Cathedral. After the service, Moscow believers broke their seven-week fast with special Easter food, paschal cream, cheese, hard-boiled eggs and cake blessed by priests.

Many diplomats attended the Cathedral service.—Reuter.

### Latest Fertility Operations

Duesseldorf, Apr. 24.—Surgeons in North Rhine Westphalia have formed a Committee to restore the fertility of victims of Nazi sterilisation operations.

A Wuppertal surgeon has already successfully operated on a woman and another successful operation has been carried out in a man, in Hamburg.—Reuter.

## Exiled King Leopold And Brother Meet

### DISCUSS FUTURE OF THE THRONE

Geneva, Apr. 24.—The Prince Regent Charles of Belgium and his brother, the exiled King Leopold, were apparently in contact in Switzerland over the future of the Belgian throne today. But they were making an impressive and successful effort to keep the time, place and agenda of their meeting from the public.

Prince Regent Charles arrived in Basel, Switzerland, by car on Saturday night, drove to the capital, Berne, and disappeared from view.

M. Paul Henri Spaak, Belgian Prime Minister who is also due to take part in the conversations with King Leopold, travelled from Lugano to Berne and likewise vanished.

The Belgian Minister of Justice, M. Moreau de Meleyn, who also happened to be vacationing in Switzerland at Petite Scheidegg, joined in the general movement, but his arrival could not be confirmed at the Belgian legation in Berne. His whereabouts are uncertain.

Only the exiled King remained fixed. He was reliably reported to have spent the night at his magnificent villa, known as "The Resting Place," at Pregny outside Geneva.

A secretary of the King declined to discuss the activities of the King, the Prince Regent, the Prime Minister or the Minister of Justice. He said that assuming the reports of a meeting were true, nothing would be announced concerning it in Switzerland. There might be an announcement in Brussels about Tuesday, he said.

**KING CHAFING**  
Prince Charles and King Leopold were reported by Brussels newspapers to be meeting to discuss the future of the kingdom and means of ending the Regency. The King was said to be chafing understandably at his prolonged exile and seeking means of restoring himself or putting his eldest son, Prince Baudouin, on the throne. The King's political opponents oppose his return on the grounds that he took the wrong stand at the time of the Belgian capitulation in 1940. They also criticise his attitude during the German occupation of Belgium.

The Belgian Parliament elected his brother, Charles, Regent after the war and left King Leopold with his family in exile.

The recent visit of the King's daughter, Princess Josephine Charlotte, to Belgium and her enthusiastic reception there helped to bring the question of the throne to the forefront again.—Associated Press.

### LORD FRASER'S TRIBUTE

London, Apr. 24.—Admiral of the Fleet Lord Fraser, First Sea Lord, tonight dispatched a message of admiration to the crew of the sloop Amethyst, crippled by gunfire in the Yangtze.

He said: "Personal. From First Sea Lord, I have greatly admired your fortitude. You are all much in my thoughts and everyone is doing his best for you."

The Admiralty announced that the Amethyst had been unmolested today at her anchorage on the south bank of the Yangtze.—Reuter.

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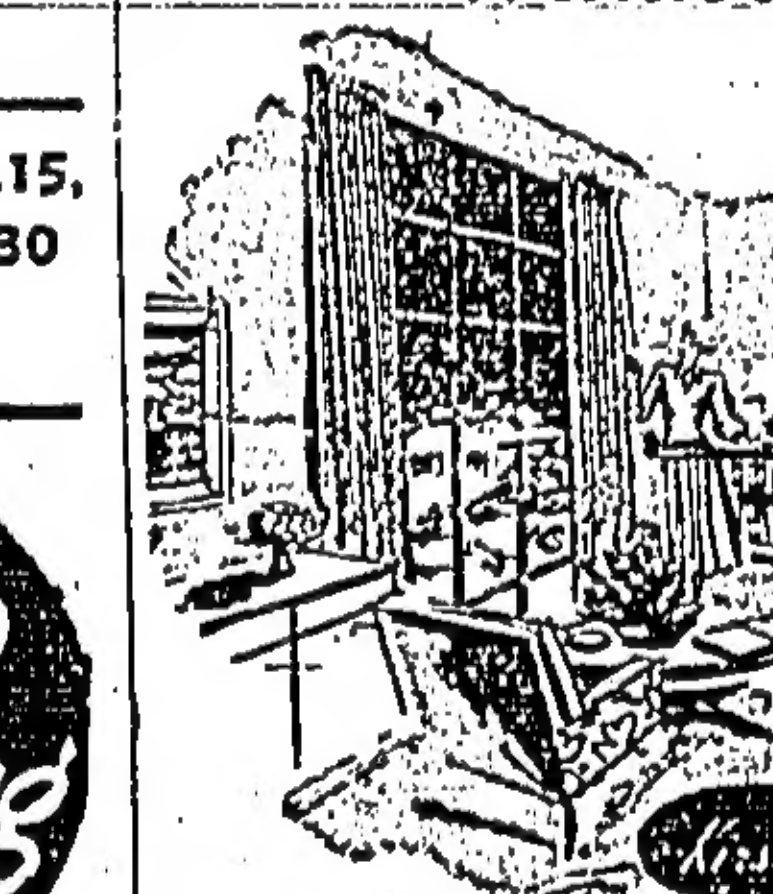
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